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Heavy hearts in Bethel community

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Tears have been flowing in Bethel this week as the community mourns the loss of Susan Isham and Regan Kauf.

At the same time, Gould Academy is supporting the family of a student who was badly injured in a bicycle accident on Friday.

Isham, 47, was killed in a head-on car crash Friday on the Inter- valed Road in Bethel.

She was remembered as a dedicated mother, grandmother and community volunteer. Friends and family from near and far took to social media over the weekend to share their sentiments.

Many described her as a kind person who touched many lives, and who was full of energy.

It's heartbreaking. Susan was one of the most vibrant people I've ever known," said Bridget Remington, formerly of Bethel and now of Florida. For a remembrance by Citizen writer Amy Wight Chapman, see page 3.

Bethel also lost Telstar student Regan Kauf, 16, in her battle with leukemia. She had been undergoing che-

motherapy, but was hospitalized about two weeks ago with an infection and passed away on Sunday.

The Telstar and greater community had rallied around her, particularly this past month. Many wore orange, the official color of leukemia awareness (as well as Regan's favorite) and held fundraisers to help her and another THS student, Jonathon Locke, who is also fighting the disease. The most recent event was Saturday, "Laps for Leukemia," at the THS track.

Regan was remembered as a beautiful person, and brave in her fight against leukemia.

Telstar English teacher Lindsay Luetje was among many sharing sentiments on the Facebook page, "Team Regan."

"Crying for her, for you and for our world that has lost such a sweet, creative and sassy young lady," said Luetje. "I feel so lucky to have been her teacher and advisor. Room 111 will always have a piece of her in all the books she read, organized and recommended. Her grace and strength inspire

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"Smash the cancer out" fundraiser on Oct. 31

All proceeds - including the cost of parking - at a "Smash the Cancer Out" fundraiser Oct. 31 will go to the families of three area young people with leukemia, one of whom passed away Sunday.

Regan Kauf, a Telstar High School student, lost her battle to complications of the disease. Jonathon Locke and Haley Steward are undergoing treatment.

Bethel Auto Sales will host the fundraising event, which features participants paying to take swings with a baseball bat at a vehicle. "Each swing of a baseball bat will be donating money to three local families whose children have been affected by cancer," owner Josh Mowery said on the BAS Facebook page.

Cost of swings are: Adults (20 and up): \$5 per swing or 3 swings for \$10; Teens (13 to 19): \$3 per swing or 3 swings for \$6; Children (12 and under) \$2 per swing or 3 swings for \$4. For those who want more than just three swings, \$50 gets 50 swings.

There will also be other activities, including pumpkin and apple tosses and a 50/50 raffle.

Food, provided by the Bethel Shop 'n Save, will also be on sale and will include hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks.

The day begins at 10 a.m. Bethel Auto Sales is located on Route 2, just west of Bethel Village.



TAKE A SWING AGAINST CANCER-This vehicle will take a beating Oct. 31 in a fundraiser to assist three families of cancer victims.

A. Aloisio

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TWO SEASONS MEET, WITH HELP FROM MAN-Temperatures in the 20s this past weekend allowed Sunday River Resort to make snow and open on Monday. Skiers could enjoy the snow-covered trails and the foliage at the same time. Mother Nature did a little snow work of her own over the weekend, providing a dusting (or more) in some places.

Sunday River

Voters reject new 'dwelling unit' definition

BY ALISON ALOISIO

At a special Town Meeting Monday, about 50 Bethel voters soundly rejected a proposed change in the definition of "dwelling unit" for sewer billing purposes.

That did not mean they liked the current definition.

The Ordinance Review Committee may go back to the drawing board to try to come up with something more palatable.

The current definition is: "Any part of a structure which, through sale or lease, is intended for human habi-

tation, including single-family and multifamily housing, condominiums, apartments and time-share units."

But that is seen by many, including selectmen, as not concise enough. A recent effort to apply it to older buildings, including apartment buildings that had previously been billed as a single unit, has met with resistance from those property owners.

The new proposed definition considered Monday was: "One or more rooms arranged for complete, independent housekeeping purposes with space for eating,

living, and sleeping facilities for cooking, and provisions for sanitation. (It is not the intent of the code that the list of spaces in the definition of the term 'dwelling unit' is to be all inclusive. It is the intent of the code that the list of spaces is a minimal set of criteria that must be provided to be considered a dwelling unit and, therefore, the dwelling unit can contain other spaces that are typical to a single-family dwelling.)"

At Monday's meeting, some said a new definition should be broadened to include such places as lodg-

rooms and Gould Academy dormitory rooms. Not to do so, they said, targets a small group of ratepayers for higher charges.

Selectman Don Bennett said a town Fees Committee, currently working separately on a new sewer rate structure, would likely use a percentage of the base sewer charge to apply to the other units in an apartment building. He said the percentage being considered would probably result in a small increase per unit. He also said

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"NO" TO DWELLING UNIT DEFINITION CHANGE-At a special Town Meeting Monday, Bethel voters overwhelmingly defeated a proposed change in the ordinance definition of a dwelling unit, for sewer billing purposes.

A. Aloisio

Hanover to consider making town clerk, tax collector, treasurer one appointed position

BY ALISON ALOISIO

At their annual Town Meeting Tuesday, Hanover residents will consider a proposal to change the current positions of town clerk, tax collector and treasurer from elected to a single position appointed by selectmen.

Voters will also consider a proposed municipal budget that, if approved, would increase appropriations about \$23,000 over last year.

The school budget, thanks to the proposed use of carryover funds, would remain about the same.

The selectmen are propos-

ing clerk, tax collector and treasurer positions in order to have more control over them and consistency for the town, according to Kelly Harrington, who currently holds all three.

In addition, she said, the arrangement would provide more predictability for the person holding the offices.

For this year, at least, the positions are on the warrant for a vote again.

Money articles

The municipal appropriation is proposed at \$526,926. It includes a Capital Projects fund of \$200,595, up about \$22,000. Harrington said the increase is to cover road-

work.

Also up is solid waste disposal, proposed at \$25,000 compared to last year's \$21,000. Hanover is a member of the Tri-Town Transfer Station in Bethel, which has recently switched over to Zero Sort Recycling.

Going down, if approved, are maintenance costs for roads and bridges, from \$35,000 to \$31,000, and town officers salaries, payroll and payroll taxes, from a total of \$37,850 to \$31,550, if approved.

Included in that decrease is a proposal to pay Planning Board members and alternates by the meeting, rather than a lump sum, Har-

rington said.

The school budget is estimated at \$346,331, same as last year, but with \$20,000 to again be used from carry-over to reduce the net appropriation.

If all the money articles are approved, the mill rate is estimated to rise from 9.3 to about 9.7, she said.

In election of town officers, incumbent Selectman Brenda Gross is up for re-election to a three-year term. Harrington said she did not know of any other candidates.

The meeting starts at 6 p.m. at the Town House.

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Letters

ROADS ARE APPLES AND SEWERS ARE ORANGES

To the Editor:

I find it difficult to believe that there are many people here who have never driven, ridden, or walked on our roads and end up paying taxes for an amenity they do not use. But even if that were so those roads are available to all, and those people who do not use them were not forced to spend money to construct their own roads and pay their yearly maintenance. That is what is being asked of the people on septic systems who paid to construct them and often for yearly pumping and maintenance as well most often because city sewage was not available in their area when their homes were constructed. They will in fact be double billed for the same service.

Suppose for a moment that Bethel decided to create its own electric utility paid for out of local taxes but only offered it to the downtown area. Every Bethel tax payer would be funding it but they would also continue paying for their own power through CMP.

If you want to force people to pay for a service then ethically you must at least offer it to all.

Chandler McGrew
Bethel

PLEASE VOTE 'YES' ON 1 NOV. 3

To the Editor:

The Maine Accountable Elections Referendum, on the Nov. 3 ballot, is our ticket to more accountable and transparent elections, and to a government that is really "of, by and for the people."

If the Referendum passes, Maine law will:

1. Require independent expenditure groups that run political ads to name their three biggest donors. These ads are not paid for by the candidates, but by others who get most of their funding from special interest groups. To require these ads to name their top donors will allow us to better understand who is trying to influence our vote.

2. Increase fines and penalties on those who break Maine's election rules.

It has become common for political operatives to intentionally break the law and avoid disclosure because the fines for doing so are so low. Raising the penalties for violations will give our laws "teeth" and end this "cost-of-doing-business" approach that hides from us how our vote is being influenced.

3. Restore public campaign financing. Maine's Clean Election laws have allowed candidates to run for office regardless of their personal wealth and to avoid being beholden to major donors, donors whose values or attitudes might not match those of the people in their district. To qualify for public campaign financing, candidates must demonstrate support from voters in their districts by collecting a certain number of \$5 donations. With public financing, once in office, these elected officials are free to vote the interests of their constituents and won't have to pander to out-of-district contributors.

The provisions in this Referendum will help us "follow the money," spot corruption and hold our elected representatives accountable to us.

Maine has had a "clean elections" law since 1996, and an admirable number of candidates have used its public financing opportunities. But over the years, this law has been weakened, and many candidates who Maine needs are reluctant or unable to run for office.

The whole country is watching Maine. If we pass this Referendum and improve the transparency of our elections and the accountability of our government, not only will we benefit, but also people in other states will be encouraged to do the same.

Please vote "Yes" on the Maine Accountable Elections Referendum this November!

Brendon Bass, Karen Bean, Margaret Davis, Linda McDonough, Marvin Ouwinga, Jan Stowell, and Saranne Taylor
Bethel

CORRECTION

QUOTE WAS NANCY BROWN-A quote in the article on Bethel sewer billing in last week's Citizen regarding taxpayers paying for some services collectively should have been attributed to Nancy Brown.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing topics they believe to be of interest to the community.

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SUPPORT RANKED - CHOICE VOTING

To the Editor:

This Monday, the Ranked Choice Voting Committee submitted over 70,000 signatures to the Secretary of State's office. This marks the conclusion of the first step in achieving an important reform that will strengthen our democratic process and will make Maine, which next November could become the first state to adopt ranked choice voting, once again a bellwether for the nation: "As Maine goes..."

For those who have not yet had the opportunity to learn about the benefits of ranked choice voting, the process is not complicated. In an election with three (or more) candidates, voters are able to rank two or more of their top choices in order of preference. When the ballots are counted, if no candidate has received more than 50 percent of the first choice votes, the candidate who received the fewest first choice votes is eliminated. The second choice votes on ballots cast for that candidate are then distributed to the remaining candidates, and the votes are recounted.

The outcome is the same as if a run-off election had been held, but it saves the expense of holding another election and the inconvenience to voters of having to come out to the polls for a second time. Ranked-choice voting will allow more independent candidates to field viable candidacies while eliminating the "spoiler effect" that third-place candidates have sometimes played in three-way races. It will also encourage more civility and less negative campaigning, as candidates will still need to vie for the second choice votes of their opponent's supporters.

Interested citizens can learn more on the Ranked Choice Voting committee's website, rcvmaine.com. I would encourage all readers of the Citizen to follow the latest developments closely.

Will Chapman
Locke's Mills

WHAT WE SAY IS NOT WHAT WE DO

To the Editor:

We are living in a culture that states that we don't tolerate bullying, yet we condone bullying behavior at every level. We turn a blind eye to corruption in both political parties and the "power over dynamic" (bully mentality) that has come to define and dominate our culture, its politicians, its policies and its people (and we wonder what happened to ethics). We see it at the community level in groups when we discriminate against certain individuals because they are "different" than we are. We see it in schools where decent kids are attacked unfairly by other students and by their own teachers, and we see it operating as an ugly hierarchy in the workplace.

Recently, someone I care about experienced an incident of bullying that gave me pause. After some reflection I created this list to share with others because I believe that until we expose bullying behavior for what it is (it has many disguises) we will continue to deny attitudes and behaviors that are crippling us as a country and a people. I am sure that the thoughtful reader can add other statements to the following list:

(1) Bullies are ALWAYS cowards. It is important to understand that bullies use fear, insults, and intimidation because they are so full of fear themselves.

(2) Lying comes naturally to bullies. When you are dealing with them EXPECT deceit.

(3) Bullies are either secretive or full of bluster (always the extremes).

(4) Bullies almost always work in twos, more commonly, in "family" groups or gangs. Remember bullies are cowardly and often lack integrity; they cannot stand up for themselves as individuals.

(4) Don't make the mistake of thinking that you can reason with bullies. Compromise is an anathema to them. There is only one way, and it's THEIR way. The dynamic of "power over" trumps and displaces decency every time (compassion and decency are perceived as weakness).

(5) Bullies are never interested in having genuine relationships with people. They are only interested in using others to bolster their floundering egos. These people have very low self-esteem.

(6) Bullies are never at fault and NEVER accountable for their behavior. Beware: the problem will ALWAYS be laid at the door of the one being bullied.

(7) Giving in to bullying "to keep peace" will only make things worse. Peacemakers are perceived as weak. As Bell Hooks once said, "(your) silence will not protect you."

(8) Understand that bullying is PATTERN of behavior that will repeat unless interrupted.

(9) Bullies take pleasure out of bullying (if they can get away with it). It makes them feel POWERFUL – it's their kind of fun.

Sara Wright
Woodstock

COME ENJOY DOWN HOME MAINE

To the Editor:

Amy Chapman and I have accepted the responsibility of bringing you Down Home Maine presentations. What is Down Home Maine, often referred to as DHM? We have heard this several times as we have been talking to local people about the upcoming programs.

It is a one-time presentation by someone from Maine who is doing, or has done, something interesting that he/she wants to share with the general public. There have been presentations about teaching in Costa Rica, a spiritual walk in Japan, a local person who attended the TED conference in Brazil and most recently, rock hounding.

DHM is not only for senior college participants; it is open to the public and touches on a variety of interests. Historically there have been two in the fall, one in the winter and one in the spring. The presentations are free to the public and most often are at the McLaughlin Science building Auditorium at Gould Academy from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Watch for upcoming events in the Citizen or flyers around town.

Come learn about the interesting things that people from our broader community are doing. There are some great presenters lined up for the remainder of the year. We would love to see more people participate; you won't be disappointed and will no doubt be delightfully surprised. If you know of anyone who has done something interesting and think that it would make a good presentation please let us know. We are open to suggestions, in fact welcome all, and will do the rest.

Free, no commitment, no homework, just an hour and a half of fascinating information. Hope to see you there. Come see what you have been missing! FMI contact Amy Chapman at amy.w.chapman@gmail.com or Ellen Marshall at ellen_marshall@gmail.com.

Ellen Marshall
Albany

From State Senator John Patrick

Youth civic engagement crucial for our state's future

As a state Senator, one of the most important aspects of my job is ensuring that Maine citizens have the necessary tools and information to participate in their government. It is critical to have an active citizenry when it comes to dealing with laws that will impact our state.

And one of the best places to begin is with our young people. The State of Maine values the ideas and opinions of its youth and I have always believed in the importance of youth involvement in the legislative and state government process.

It is critical that Maine's youth realizes that state government belongs to them and that they have the confidence to get involved and make a difference in state policy.

I was recently contacted by one of my young constituents, Celina, a Mountain Valley High School junior from Rumford, who wanted to learn more about state government. Celina is interested in getting involved with politics in the future, and I was so happy to have her job shadow for a day in the State House, to see her government in action first-hand. She got a front-row seat in the day-to-day workings of my Senate office, and met several lawmakers.

It is always exciting to see young people like Celina, who are passionate about their world, and who want to be involved.

I want to encourage students to visit the State House this spring, when the Legislature is in session. You can ask your school or extracurricular group to set up a tour, or you can participate in the Honorary Page Program, which is open to all Maine youth, regardless of whether they attend public schools, private schools or are homeschooled.

The program gives students a unique chance to not only observe the state's legislative process, but to also participate in it. As an Honorary Page, students will deliver messages, distribute amendments and supplements within the Chamber, interact with senators and – most importantly – take part in a real-world, hands-on legislative experience. If you're interested in participating, contact my office at (207) 287-1515.

YMCA's Maine Youth in Government is another program for high school students that allows our young folks to experience Maine state government. In a sort of "mock Legislature," participants have the opportunity to draft bills, run for leadership use the actual House and Senate Chambers at the state capitol for a weekend, where they'll debate and discuss their proposed legislation. You can visit yigmaine.org for more information.

Programs like these, as well as local volunteer opportunities, can help instill a sense of civic pride in our young people.

Our children will grow up to be the future voters, community leaders and elected officials of tomorrow. An educated public can have an immense and profound impact on state government. With the right tools, every citizen – no matter how young – can make a difference.

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Pages

BY DANNA BROWN
NICKERSON

10 years ago: The Telstar High School golf team captured its second Class C State Championship.

The Kendall Dowel/Maine Dowel Mill at West Bethel was seeking ash boltwood in small and large quantities.

Births: Lacey May Tilsley, Jason James Stubbs.

Deaths: Howard W. Cole, Bruce Abbott, Valerlee R. Andrews.

20 years ago: Rain and high winds eased the local drought a bit, but the stormy weather also downed power lines, littered roads with tree limbs, and flooded low-lying areas.

Approximately 50 SWOAM members toured the expanded P.H. Chadbourne Co. mill, examining the log yard, sawmill, and kiln drying system.

Deaths: Ruth A. Graham, Maynard C. Cushman, Reynold E. Chase, Lee N. Harmon, Lila A. Thompson.

30 years ago: A fire of suspicious origin at the planing mill of the L.E. Davis Lumber Company was brought under control by firefighters before much damage was done.

Gamm, Inc., a New Hampshire garment manufacturing firm was making plans to open a satellite plant in the Bethel area.

Birth: Kathryn Elizabeth Lea.

40 years ago: Cora Bennett, George Powers and Myrtle Clifford were presented Life Memberships at a meeting of the Jackson-Silver Post Auxiliary.

Members of the Locke's Mills Boy Scout Troop held a campout on the ballfield and many activities were enjoyed by the scouts and their parents despite cool, rainy weather.

Deaths: Lawrence B. Tyler, Raymond A. Chapman, Albert D. Keniston.

50 years ago: Bethel received about two inches of snow on Oct. 28.

The Bethel Fire Department was called to the Western Auto Store on Route 26 by a short circuit in the electrical wiring. Little damage was reported.

Birth: Andrea Nicole Costa.

Deaths: C. Walter Tikkander, Raymond G. Hawthorne, Mrs. Elizabeth Flint Gilman.

60 years ago: Royden Kiddy and Dr. Winfield E. Wight were named to the Gould Academy board of trustees.

When leaving the telephone office, Mrs. Daniel T. Smith encounters a skunk with its head stuck in a glass jar. She was able to remove the jar with no unpleasant results.

Birth: Michael Stevens Hicks.

Death: Cheslie F. Saunders.

70 years ago: A small crew was clearing one runway at the Bethel airport. The large barn belonging with the mill property in Skillingston was torn down.

Death: Frank E. Stevens.

80 years ago: The WPA 8-mile road project on Grover Hill was approved. The application called for \$22,085 for labor.

Work on the new road between South Bethel and the Bethel-Greenwood line, 1.25 miles, was started.

90 years ago: A terrific windblow did considerable damage around Bethel. Herman Robertson's house under

Remembering a Mighty Girl

BY AMY WIGHT
CHAPMAN

Recently, on the Facebook page "A Mighty Girl," I read about several strong, self-sufficient women who took on the world in different ways. At the age of 67, Emma Gatewood became the first woman to hike the entire Appalachian Trail. Drew Gilpin Faust is the 28th president of Harvard University. Maggie Doyne opened an orphanage in Nepal at the age of 19.

"A Mighty Girl" highlights inspirational female role models of the past and present, from Marie Curie to Malala Yousafzai, and encourages girls to "be the leaders, the heroes, the champions that save the day, find the cure, and go on the adventure."

"On Friday afternoon, in a tragic automobile accident, our community lost a mighty girl."

"With her wide smile, indomitable spirit, and huge heart, Susan Isham was a friend to everyone she knew...and she knew everyone."

Hearts

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Regan Kauf (center) with friends at a rally last month held for her at Telstar. A. Aloisio

me, and I pray for comfort for her family and our community."

"Later, Luetje shared more memories with the Citizen: "Regan was a wonderful young lady. She was smart, outspoken, talented and creative. She and I shared a love of books and instantly connected. I was fortunate enough to be her English teacher when she was in both 7th and 8th grade. She was my self appointed classroom librarian and managed the intake of over 50 new books that year, helped me organize them all into kid friendly categories, and kept a record of every book checked out (over 180) including tracking down the long overdue and making sure they were returned. It wasn't just about books, though. What I enjoyed most about her was how authentic she was; she spoke her mind, never tried to be anyone she wasn't, and treated everyone as an equal."

THS Principal Cheryl Lang spoke for the school on Wednesday. "We are all deeply saddened by the loss of one of our own... It is comforting to know that Telstar is such a tight-knit community that everyone embraces each other in difficult times."

Said SAD 44 Supt. David Murphy, "Regan was a truly exceptional young lady, who inspired our students and staff alike. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kauf family during this difficult time."

GOULD

Susan Isham was a graduate of Gould Academy. In addition to her loss, the Gould community was dealt another blow Friday. A 14-year-old student from Goffstown, N.H. was critically injured after being struck on his bicycle by a hit-and-run driver on Church Street, according to the Oxford County Sheriff's Department. The boy was life-flighted to



Susan Isham (far right) with the Wight family, when she worked at the Sunday River Inn.

Submitted photo

Easygoing, professional, and dedicated, she was a sought-after food service employee who made hospitality an art form. She worked at the Sunday River Inn for more

years than I can count, starting when she was a teenager and eventually becoming its ultra-capable manager. She could take reservations, rent skis, fold towels, and make din-

ner for 60—all at the same time, if needed.

As a single mother, she taught her daughter the value of self-reliance, as she taught it by example to everyone she knew. I doubt she ever realized just how many people she inspired with her capability, strength, and positive attitude.

As strong and self-sufficient as she was, Susan was also incredibly generous with her time and resources. She was a tireless community volunteer, and she never turned away anyone in need. She fed them, counseled them, and restored their spirits, and when she sent them back out into the world, they knew that someone had their back.

She stayed in her hometown for nearly all of her life and made treasured and lasting connections with her community. She was a loving mother, grandmother, daughter, and granddaughter.

My niece Sara, who grew up with Susan at the Sunday River Inn, wrote, "You have been so much a part of our family over the years and we are all the better for having felt your love, grace, and optimism. May your family find peace in the prayers of all the hearts you have filled in your too-short lifetime. Godspeed to your spirit!"

No one whose life was touched by the spirit of this mighty girl will ever forget her.



Susan Isham.

Submitted photo

a hospital. His name has not been released.

"We had two EMT-trained faculty on-scene within 30 seconds, and another first responder faculty member plus our entire health center there within two minutes," said Darcy Lambert, Gould's director of marketing and communications. "The Sheriff's Office and ambulance arrived within minutes of the 911 call."

She said the boy's family was also on campus, because

Friday was the start of the annual Fall Family Weekend, leading into a short school break.

"We're grateful for the help of our faculty, first responders, and Sheriff's Office during this difficult event, and are currently focused on helping the student and his family in any way that we can," said Lambert.

On Sunday the OCSD arrested Richard A. Martin, 45, of Bethel in connection with the crash.

Dwelling

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the minimum cubic foot use threshold might be adjusted.

But he acknowledged Monday that approving a new definition first "might be putting the cart before the horse," as some ratepayers said they want to know what the fee structure would look like under a new definition before approving the definition.

Scott Hynek argued for defeating the proposed definition so the committee would get a clear message to "tackle the problem correctly."

Bud Kulik, a member of the ORC, said if the new wording is not satisfactory, the residents should vote "no" and the committee would "go back to the original and look at it again." He urged those interested to attend the ORC meetings in order to be involved earlier in the process.

The half hour discussion before the vote also revisited other factors discussed on the larger issue of sewer billing in other meetings, including the possibility of charging strictly by water usage, rather than the current minimum charge followed by a per-cubic-foot additional charge for usage over the minimum.

Briefly

Powers to resign as Newry administrator

NEWRY—Town Administrator Loretta Powers notified selectmen Tuesday that she will resign her position as of Dec. 31. She plans to move to Florida. Powers has served in the position for 11 years. Before that, she served as deputy town clerk/treasurer for six years. Powers said Wednesday that selectmen plan to advertise for a replacement soon.

Woodstock talks MDOT garage, boat ramp purchases; OKs possible sale of wood lot

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Boat launch

In another potential property purchase, Maxfield said he had offered \$70,000 for a property on North Pond that the town has been looking at as a possible boat launch. An earlier \$60,000 offer was rejected by the owner, he said, who is also asking for several stipulations in the negotiations.

They revealed they recently proposed a \$90,000 offer to buy an unoccupied Maine Department of Transportation garage on Route 232 in Woodstock. They had considered the purchase in the past for the storage of town road equipment, but ended up passing on it.

Now, however, they are also looking to make good on a promise to PACE ambulance 15 years ago to provide a place for crews to stay while on duty in the area.

At the time, Town Manager Vern Maxfield said, that initial commitment meant only daytime accommodations, which they had at the town Fire Station.

But as time went on, the frequency of calls in the area increased, and provisions were made for parking ambulances - and crews - overnight when needed at the Fire Station.

Any purchases would have to be conditional on Town Meeting approval.

Wood lot

The board switched roles in another property discussion, agreeing they should pursue the sale of a 50-acre town wood lot on Billings Hill Road. It was acquired in tax foreclosure about 12 years ago, Maxfield said, but a forester evaluating it said it has no real commercial value. The board decided to talk to abutting landowners to see if any of them would be interested in purchasing it.

In other business Tuesday, the board approved spending between \$8,500 and \$10,000 for paving around the compactors at the G&W Transfer Station, subject to approval also by Greenwood.

Selectmen also approved offering an old fire engine that has been up for sale (with no offers to date) to the Region 9 School of Applied Technology for training purposes.

The Woodstock board will meet next Nov. 3 at 5 p.m.

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Bethel joins Age-Friendly Community network

BY AMY WIGHT

CHAPMAN

The town of Bethel has become an official member of the AARP's Network of Age-Friendly Communities, which supports towns in providing resources that allow seniors to remain in their own homes and communities as they age.

Peter Morelli, director of the AARP Maine Age-Friendly Community Project, was at one of two well-attended gatherings that were held last week to introduce the concept and gather public input.

Morelli presented Town Manager Christine Landes and Selectman Stan Howe with a certificate recognizing Bethel's participation in the network and the town leadership's commitment to the goal of making the community more age-friendly.

Bethel joins five other Maine towns—Paris, Bowdoinham, Kennebunk, Portland, and Ellsworth—as members of the network, an affiliate of the World Health Organization's Age-Friendly

Cities and Communities Program.

Morelli said he believes that, to date, Bethel may be the smallest community to join the U.S. network, which originated in cities like Washington, D.C. and New York.

He added that AARP has recently formed a small-town interest group to focus on the unique needs of seniors living in more rural areas.

Coordinator Jackie Cressy introduced the other members of the local AFCP team: Linda McDonough, Jan Stowell, Rosabelle Tiff, Nancy Davis, Kay Larson, Judy Whitman, Al Cressy, and Eliza Barnes.

Cressy told the gathering, "We initiated this project early this past summer, with the assistance of Peter, to explore ways to make our community more supportive of healthy aging, and to make it possible for people to stay in their own homes as they age."

She said Bethel's Comprehensive Plan Committee will be incorporating the concept of age-friendliness into



Peter Morelli of AARP Maine with Town Manager Christine Landes, Selectman Stan Howe, and members of the local Age-Friendly Community Project team. A. Wight Chapman

the updated comprehensive plan, and the team hopes that other local municipalities will opt to join the network as well.

"Now we're ready to get your ideas about what you see as the needs of the community," Cressy said.

She described the eight domains, or "livability factors," designated by the AARP as affecting the age-friendliness of a community: outdoor spaces and buildings, transportation, housing, social participation, respect and social inclusion, civic participation and employment, communication and information, and community support and health services.

These range from transportation, education, and health services for older adults to intergenerational programs, public parking, and a community center.

The survey also asks respondents to rate how well the community currently provides for its seniors in a variety of areas.

"The survey needs to be returned by November 6," Cressy said. "If anyone has difficulty getting it back to us, we'll gladly come and pick it up."

Attendees at last week's meetings broke into groups to discuss the community's strengths and needs with regard to the various livability factors, then shared their findings with the full gathering.

Transportation was rated as a high priority.

As Cressy had earlier told the group, "Eventually, nearly all of us end up being unable to drive."

Many identified options for adult day care as an important need, both to offer a social outlet for elders and to

provide respite for caregivers.

Others said a central concierge service would help seniors connect with reliable providers of repairs and maintenance, transportation, and other needed services.

Morelli said there are many different models of support systems within age-friendly communities.

Bowdoinham, for example, has a ten-hour-a-week town employee whose role is to coordinate senior services.

In Yarmouth, a nonprofit called YCAN (Yarmouth Cares About Neighbors) helps to connect available resources with those who need them.

The "village" model was pioneered in 2002 by Beacon

Hill Village in Boston. It has since been adopted by more than 60 communities across the U.S., including Blue Hill, Maine, where members of At Home Downeast pay an annual fee for a range of critical services provided by volunteers or paid staff. Fees vary, based on income level and need for services.

In many cases, seniors may simply not be aware of the services that already exist in their communities that could help to delay or prevent the need for institutional care.

"Coordinating volunteer services is what it's really about," said Morelli.

Priscilla and Dean Walker, who attended one of last week's AFCP gatherings, were encouraged by what they heard.

In an email to organizers they wrote, "Over the years we've tried to form a plan as to what we'd do if we could no longer manage living in our home or if one of us had to go it alone and we've never been able to come up with a viable plan. Thanks to both you and your committee we now have hope we'll be able to live out our lives right here."

Sheriff discusses state of county law enforcement

BY MONICA JERKINS,
SUN MEDIA

Oxford County commissioners met with municipal police chiefs, Oxford County Sheriff Wayne Gallant and his deputies Tuesday to discuss the state of law enforcement in the county.

Each attendee shared his or her concerns about the ramifications to smaller municipal police departments should the Oxford County Jail ever close as a result of recent budget and funding changes. Fearing that the responsibility of transporting prisoners would shift to local departments, police chiefs stated how difficult that task would be.

"If the jail closes and worst-case scenario is we have to start transporting, it's a huge draw," Oxford Police Chief Jonathan Tibbets said. "It takes an officer out of town. There would be fewer arrests, more summonses."

In Mexico, only one officer is typically on duty at a time. That would leave the town uncovered if the on-duty officer has to make an arrest and transport the prisoner potentially hours away to a jail in another county. Mexico already has a problem with coverage during the time it takes to bring an officer to the county jail in Paris. It's a two- to three-hour round trip they can only realistically accomplish by relying on mutual aid, unless the police chief is able to provide coverage when the arrest takes place.

Rumford Police Chief Stacy Carter said he hopes the jail never closes, but if it does, he hopes the county would still provide assistance to the towns.

"I think we need to look at the county budget and what it would take to keep (the jail) open, and I think the county still has a role to play ... providing transport ... but we don't want to go down that path," Carter said.

Gallant said he believed the county would continue to provide transportation services.

"We don't know what's going to happen, but I'm a firm believer that based on statutes, (jail administrator) Ed Quinn and I are still going to be responsible for prisoners," Gallant said.

He said that law enforcement personnel meeting annually with county commissioners used to be required by statute, but when the law was repealed, Oxford County commissioners continued with the long-standing practice, more by way of tradition than requirement.

Interim Paris Police Chief Jeff Lange took the opportunity Tuesday to update commissioners on efforts to fight the heroin epidemic in Oxford County. Lange, who is a primary organizer of the Western Maine Addiction Task Force, said every law enforcement agency is involved in the task force.

They are working on ways to include the northern part of the county, including holding joint, simultaneous task force meetings in a southern and northern location, connected via Skype, he said.

"We've had a lot of support and meetings have grown and grown every time," Lange said. "Even C.N. Brown has come forward to offer jobs for people in recovery, which is huge. (I'm) hoping more businesses will come forward."

Lange said there is also an effort to implement a drug court, which would help keep addicts out of jails and might also help lighten the burden on the jail.

Several police chiefs mentioned the benefit of adding a canine unit to the Sheriff's Office in the fight against drugs in the community. Having a dog, or dogs, trained to detect drugs would result in more arrests for people trafficking in heroin, taking more of the dan-

gerous drug off the street, they said.

Currently, when there is a need for a canine unit, Oxford County law enforcement officials have to call Franklin County to borrow its dogs. Because of new laws affecting how long an officer can detain someone, even if they suspect the individual is carrying drugs, there is not enough time to call another county for a canine unit.

"The heroin epidemic is out of control," Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Hart Daley said. "Nearly everyone in this county has been impacted. There's been an impact countywide, statewide. We've been looking into canines for a while now. We have our own cruisers that we take home, so they can be set up for dogs. We have several deputies who are interested in that type of program."

Franklin County is approved and accredited for providing canine training, and Daley said they have offered free training to Oxford County Sheriff's deputies. Besides retrofitting the vehicles and purchasing the necessary equipment, the biggest cost is associated with purchasing the dogs, according to Daley. He said he is looking into possible grant programs.

"It's an investment," Daley said. "You can't just go to a shelter and pick out a dog. It has to have the proper temperament, disposition—assertive, but not aggressive. It's a long process// applied// to select the right dogs for this type of work."

Increasing the number of trafficking arrests might also increase revenue for the county, since money used from seizures of property can be turned into a source of revenue. Daley said that adding a canine unit might eventually pay for itself and then some by helping officers find more drug traffickers.

Town News

Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



Bethel's Water-Sewer Algebra
The equation is (water + x = sewer). Water connections equal 524. One hundred eighty-six water customers are not part of the sewer district and 43 other water connections are flat rate items such as hydrants. The hunt continues for a formula to equitably get the income from Bethel's sewer users needed to bill the Town's sewer accounts. It is pretty certain at this point two days before a special town meeting that the Monday meeting will not solve the issue.

The "sewer" system consists of both a storm water drain system and a wastewater system connected to the town's treatment plant. Three pipes lie under most village streets: blue is for drinking water, green is for sewage and black is for storm water. The Bethel Water District provides water use figures by connection to the town office once each quarter. With the figure of 650 sewer customers batted around at last Monday's hearing that means 126 sewer accounts are based on some other factor than metered water usage. And much of the capital expense is bedded in the storm wa-

ter infrastructure. This is why in 1989 the town voted to spread part of the "sewer" liability to all property owners. In 1961 when the Town replaced its Chapman Street sewer and the connection to Crescent Park, for instance, the bill was paid by all taxpayers. An old wooden line was also torn up. The wooden pipe may have been a water supply for the railroad circa the 1850s.

At Gould—Social Enterprising

Friday morning at the Idea Center, Sara Shifren had just wound up a session with students on developing a social enterprise plan. As the idea and discussion progressed, they came up with "How might we create an active, spiritual, playground for elderly?" Some of the conceptual spaces that were identified included a game room or space, as well as spaces for exercise, food and social spaces that would be near their housing; then the conceptual setup was moved outdoors for health, a park with trees for fresh air, walking and social activity. A place like the Soldier Monument Park or maybe even Kimball Park would fit into their plan well as long as it could be within a comfortable walking distance from home.

Happy 90th, Eleanor
Last Thursday, Oct. 15, thirteen friends of Eleanor De-

normandie enjoyed lunch at the Rooster with Eleanor as a special guest in honor of her 90th birthday. Martha Martin brought a special birthday cake inscribed to Eleanor for the occasion. Those attending were Judy Barker, Eleanor Bayless, Edie Brainard, Kathy Bennett, Grace Douglass, Margaret Donahue, Theresa Fraser, Bettyann Hastings, Alice Hopkins, Martha Martin, Brenda Merino and Alita Prada.

Basketball Park, Had You Forgotten

At the Oct. 12 Selectmen's meeting the almost forgotten in time outdoor basketball court was brought up—the reason was to get Town approval to use Town trucks for hauling gravel fill into the court area. An area has been cleared behind Bethel Bicycle and the Big Apple, Dunkin' Donuts buildings. Town approval for an outdoor basketball park was voted at the June 2013 town meeting.

New House for Sue Farrar's lot
Last Thursday work was underway on the foundation for a new house being built by Sheila and Michael Reardon. This week on Thursday, Oct. 22, the Reardons expect a new house to arrive—a custom design Schiavi Home. The Reardons currently live in Hanover. Miss Sue's Toe Tapping Dance Studio will remain as part of the new Reardon homestead.

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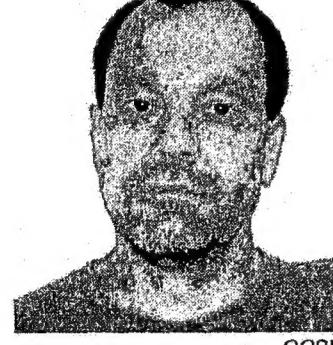
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Heath chargedBY MONICA JERKINS,
SUN MEDIA

OCSD

A Bethel man involved in a head-on crash that killed Susan Isham Friday made his first court appearance Monday afternoon, entering pleas of not guilty to two charges not directly connected to the accident. Jason Heath, 29, was arraigned via videoconference at 8th District Court Monday afternoon, pleading not guilty to unlawful possession of drugs and violation of bail conditions. The judge set bail at \$10,000 cash. Oxford County Sheriff Wayne Gallant said Heath was the driver of a vehicle in a head-on collision on Intervale Road that claimed the life of 47-year-old Susan Isham of Bethel. Isham died at about 3 p.m. when her car,

a 2012 Chevy Cruze, collided head-on with Heath's 1997 GMC Yukon, according to police reports. Gallant said the cause of the crash in under investigation, and no charges have been filed. Cpl. George Cayer of the OCSD arrested Heath at about 10 p.m. Friday. Heath was in the Cumberland County Jail as of Wednesday, according to the OCSD.

Marin charged in hit-and-runBY MONICA JERKINS,
SUN MEDIA

OCSD

A Bethel man charged with leaving the scene after his vehicle struck a bicyclist Friday in Bethel had his bail lowered in 8th District Court on Monday afternoon. A judge reduced bail for Richard Allen Marin, 45, from \$10,000 cash to \$2,000 cash. A corrections officer at the Oxford County Jail in Paris said Monday night that Marin posted bail about 5 p.m. and was released.

Marin was arrested Sunday on a charge of leaving the scene of an accident involving personal injury, Oxford County Sheriff's Deputy Andrew Whitney said. The collision occurred at about 2 p.m. Friday on Church Street and left a 14-year-old boy from Goffstown, N.H., with critical injuries, officials said. The boy, whose name has not been released, was flown to a hospital.

Whitney said Saturday afternoon that the bicyclist came onto Church Street in front of the car. Police are reconstructing the accident to

determine if Marin had time to swerve and avoid hitting the boy. Sheriff's deputies located the car late Saturday in Bethel. An interview with the registered owner led police to Marin, who was arrested at his home early Sunday morning and taken to the Oxford County Jail. Police impounded the car.

At Marin's appearance via videoconference Monday, the District Attorney's Office made a written recommendation that he be released on personal recognition. The judge, however, set bail at \$2,000 cash or \$10,000 in property. Marin's case will be presented to a grand jury.

OCSD Patrol Log

Wednesday, Oct. 14

At 7:15 p.m. Sgt. Tim Ontengco responded to Mayville Road in Bethel for a report that an RV was on fire. The fire was out on arrival but the vehicle received reportable damage. The Bethel Fire Department also responded.

Friday, Oct. 16

At 1:42 p.m. a report was received of a car-bicycle crash on Church Street in Bethel. Multiple OCSD units, Bethel Fire and Bethel Rescue responded. The bicycle operator was airlifted to the hospital. The offending vehicle left the scene.

At 3:12 p.m. a report was received of a fatal car crash on the Intervale Road in Bethel. Multiple OCSD units, Bethel Rescue and Bethel, Greenwood and Newry fire departments responded.

At 3:33 p.m. deputies responded to a residence on Songo Pond Road in Bethel for the report of a burglary. The incident is under investigation.

At 9:42 p.m. Deputy Josh Aylward took a report of eight to 10 young adults riding bikes around Gould Academy, causing a disturbance. The area was searched but the subjects could not be located.

Saturday, Oct. 17

At 2:47 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham arrested a male subject on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel for OUI.

Sunday, Oct. 18

At 10:13 a.m. a Bethel business reported a gas drive-off. Sgt. Tim Ontengco responded. A vehicle description and possible plate number was obtained.

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Sunflower Breakfast Birds

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Rob Robbins Still Going Strong

Noticed in the Citizen that Rob Robbins would be playing at the Bethel Inn on Saturday. His piano and singing has been an especially good entertainment calling card for nearly 36 years. Can anyone beat that record; his played piano in the Mill Brook Tavern in 1979. I first met Rob while working at the Inn in the '80s and it was unmistakable then how well he acquired fans. Dick Rasor certainly liked his talent and kept him returning. Saturday Rob was going strong and his fans Saturday were all a few decades past their teens.

Norseman

December 1964 news reported that Claus Wiese, program director of WMTW-TV, had expressed interest in televising the pageant which would then be shown on Christmas Eve. In the summer of 1961 Mr. and Mrs. Claus Wiese of Poland purchased the former Bethaven Inn from Mrs. Henry Boyker. Henry Boyker had passed away March that year. In July they were busy renovating the inn.

When the Wieses purchased Bethaven, it became a sort of precedent in Bethel innboarding "house-hotel" ownership. Heretofore, local innkeepers were either from long established Bethel or surrounding area families with the exception of the Bethel Inn but even they had the very local connection in Marion True Gehring - who extolled the new Inn's features in articles to the Citizen.

Claus Wiese was born in 1924 in Lillestrom, Norway -

In 1962 my Gould class of 1952 held its first 10 year reunion at the Norseman. We found that Claus and Jakki added a very cozy, sociable touch to their inn keeping. At the south end of the building, they had wonderfully warm, inviting den and fireplace where Claus charmed his guests with warmth, intimacy and chatting that would probably have appalled old time conservative innkeepers.

In the 1980s the best place in town for a delicious dinner and evening out was the Norseman and Jakki's menu.

Claus Wiese passed away in September 1987 after a prolonged illness and after they had sold The Norseman.

More from the Oct. 13 School Board meetingBY AMY WIGHT
CHAPMAN**Facebook page, new website design**

During Superintendent David Murphy's report to the School Board at their Oct. 13 meeting, he informed them of a series of Telstar High School alumni updates that the district has begun posting to its Facebook page.

A post to the page asked Telstar graduates to respond with brief summaries of what they have been doing since graduation.

"Our goal is to put a different summary up every week. Our graduates are doing some great things, and it's important that the community understands that," Murphy said.

Coaching and advising appointments

Murphy announced the following appointments.

Elementary school GOT Farms coordinator, Marie Corbin-Keane; Telstar Middle School girls soccer, Robert Dow; Telstar High School freshman class advisor, Doug Bennett and

OCSD Jail Log

9:51 a.m.: Robert N. Stiles, 26, of Naples, operating after suspension; by Deputy Dere MacDonald in Newry.

Oct. 17, 5:34 p.m.: Christopher P. Poulin, 41, of Portland, OUI; by Deputy Andy Whitney in Bethel.

Oct. 18, 1:20 a.m.: Richard A. Marin, 45, of Bethel, leaving the scene of a personal injury accident; by Deputy Steve Witham in Bethel.

Oct. 18, 1:20 a.m.: William B. Newmeyer, 29, of West Paris, failure to pay fines; in Bethel.

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Kathy Bennett

Bethel

By Nancy Brown

Our first snowflakes arrived on Saturday, Oct. 17. I was at work and witness this, but

I got the news on good authority. I did see the snow flurries that lasted most of the day on Sunday under a bright blue sky with a scattering of grey clouds. There was no accumulation here in Bethel. Temperatures on Saturday night and Sunday morning were in the mid-twenties (Fahrenheit). It was cold enough that there was still ice in the roadside ditches in the late morning when I did my fall roadside clean-up of the 1/10 of a mile of Route 26 that runs by our house. I clean-up the roadside ditches in preparation for winter, usually waiting until the first freeze when the snakes

have gone. I packed a large trash bag with litter, including three cardboard cases that had once held 24 cans of Bud Light, sheets of plastic shrink wrap, trash bags, baggies, large brown paper bags, and Dorito bags. Hopefully, this diligence will prevent trash from jamming the culverts this winter and causing roadside flooding.

If you have poinsettias that you want to blossom during the holiday season, you need to start putting them in the dark now. Like most flowers, poinsettias bloom based on a light cycle. The plants need twelve hours of total darkness each day to develop flower bracts. That means absolute darkness: no pinprick of light through a keyhole, no glow from a charging cell phone. My mother has six poinsettias she is forcing to bloom. The large

one. Passed unanimously.

First reading of Policy AD—Mission Statement. The word "transparent" was inserted into the policy, which now reads, in part, "We believe the system needs to be transparent, dynamic, and open to new paradigms." Passed unanimously.

Requests were approved for the following out of state field trips.

Woodstock School third grade, to the Weather Discover Center in North Conway, N.H.

THS Spanish students, to Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H., to view an exhibit of Mexican muralists and tour the college. The trip will be paid for through a variety of grant funds.

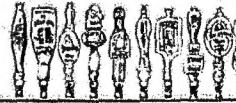
WES and CPS fifth grade, annual end of year trips to Boston.

THS music students, All New England Choral Festival on Nov. 5 and All New England Band Festival on Nov. 23, both at Plymouth State University in Plymouth, N.H.

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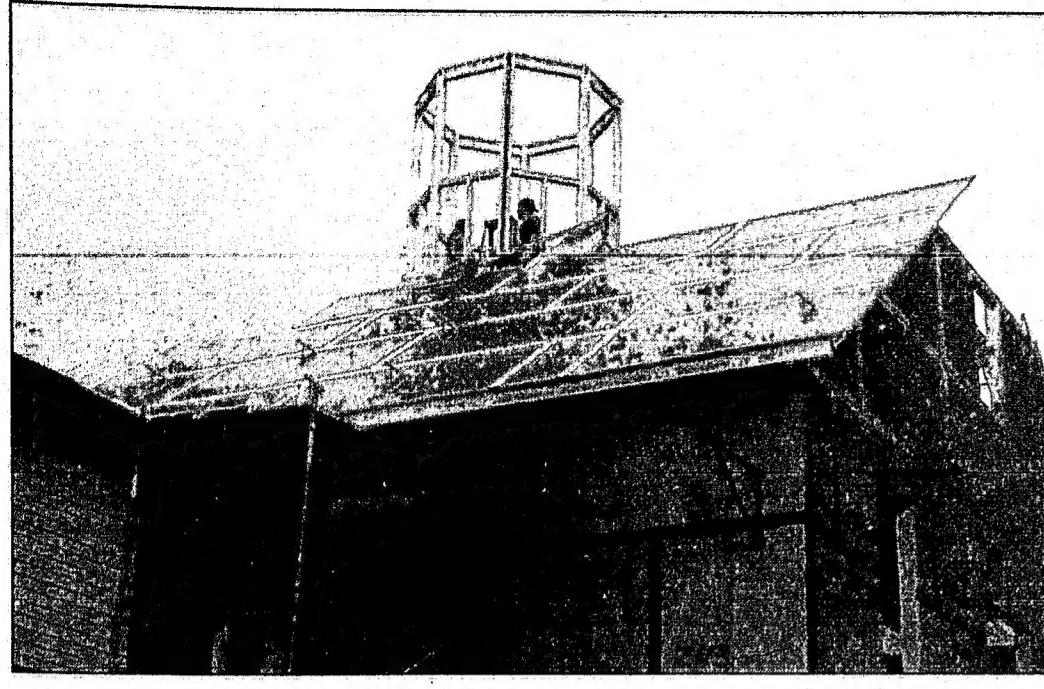
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This week framing for the new cupola was in place at the Bethel Historical Society's new barn — a classic looking addition.

D. Bennett



Sheila and Michael Reardon of Hanover are seeing construction of their new house begin on the former Spring Street lot of Sue Farrar.

D. Bennett

plant, which is parent to the others, is nine-years-old and has blossomed each of those years. She puts the plant under a card table tented with thick wool blankets. This year four smaller plants are going into a dark closet each night. The yearly ritual began on Oct. 9, which means the bracts will probably be totally red by Thanksgiving.

Just a reminder about the upcoming discussion with Bethel natives, authors, and skiers Bob and Tom Remington at the Bethel Library on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 6:30 p.m. The Remingtons will talk about skiing and ski jumping in Maine and New Hampshire during the 1960s and 70s. They will sign copies of their recently published book, *We Jumped*, which will be available to purchase. The book would make a great holiday gift for anyone who grew up here or anyone interested in skiing. All profits from the sale of the book are going to the Ski Museum of Maine.

If you plan on shopping next Friday, Oct. 30, you should probably stay away from Norway's Main Street. That is the day of the annual Halloween Fest, sponsored by the Town of Norway's Recreational Department. The event is from 2-5 p.m. and begins at the Norway Memorial Library where children receive a map of Main Street businesses and organizations that are giving out Halloween treats. Children and families from all towns are invited. I'm looking forward to seeing Baxter the Library Cat, who is participating again this year. Baxter, a six-foot-tall Maine coon cat, is the mascot for the Maine libraries. He travels around the state to events like this where he encourages children and their parents to use their lo-

cal library.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

Brrr, it sure got cold quite suddenly. Mother Nature is making us feel good with the breathtaking foliage though. It helps us not think of what lies ahead once Jack Frost gets the reign. I may not live in East Bethel anymore, yet I can smell the familiar scent of woodstoves being lit to take the chill off.

East Bethel suffered another great loss and the neighborhood sends sympathy and love to Susan Isham's family. This is so sad and never should have happened.

Arlene Harrington had company again. Her sister Charmaine and her friend Carol arrived last Thursday and left Sunday. Aside from the "girl time" enjoyed at the house, they did some shopping together on Saturday followed by their customary Chinese food dinner in Town.

In general, I don't like to write too much about myself, yet had something happen the other day and really would appreciate a physics explanation for it. Sadly yes, I still have to do my dishes by hand and doing so, this happened to me (oh, and I use only hot water when I do my dishes): I was just about done, had put the last piece — a large glass lid of a large pan — in the dish strainer. As I was emptying the dirty dishwasher there was a loud BANG and the said lid exploded all over the place!!! Luckily nobody got hurt and I do have my built-in defibrillator for just in case (chuckie). I would love it if someone

could explain this to me. Call me at 507-1008 or e-mail me at heinrichcracker@gmail.com.

Next week I will give you the answer to the Trivia again.

Enjoy the foliage.

West Bethel

By Karen Paul

Monday Oct. 19, 2015 our hearts are heavy with the loss of two beloved women embraced by our community. As I type I reflect and think of Susan Isham and Regan Kauf who have passed from this earthly life, reminding me of the poignant words of John Gilispie Magee, Jr. in his poem "High Flight." Magee also died young at the age of 19 on Dec. 11, 1941 during a training flight but his beautiful words remain:

"Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth, And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings; Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth/ of sun-split clouds, — and done a hundred things! You have not dreamed of — wheeled and soared and swung/ High in the sunlit silence. Hovering there, I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung/ My eager craft through footless halls of air ... Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue! I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace. Where never lark, or even eagle flew — And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod/ The high untraversed sanctity of space, — Put out my hand, and touched the face of God."

Autumn's blanket of protection and fertilizer continues to cover the woods and fields, and lawns. Some experts suggest mowing the leaves into smaller particles that can decompose

faster rather than raking and removing them. My favorite colors are still hanging on the maples and oaks with touches of red, orange, green, and gold.

Snowflakes danced and swirled around the village of West Bethel Sunday starting around noon. Walking around my home Monday morning I can see the tops of Sparrowhawk, Barker, Ellingwood, and Maine's mountains. They are all are still sporting color and no snow has remained as yet.

Contact me at paulkmaire@gmail.com or 836-2266.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich

Don't forget the Flu Clinic that will take place this afternoon, Oct. 22 at the Town Hall from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your Medicare, Maine Care or other insurance card. Protect yourself and others around you by getting your flu shot.

On Sunday afternoon the Andover Historical Society and Andover School PTA combined forces to celebrate the fall with a successful event. The winners of the pumpkin bake-off were Joshua Indermuhle for his pumpkin-spice muffin topped with streusel and white chocolate drizzle. His pumpkin goodie was tied with the pumpkin Danish created by Lindsay Sharkey. While people were looking at the displays in the building, outside Jim Coolidge was pressing cider and Scott Harrington was giving rides in his 1932 Pontiac.

Although I don't have any information, I'm assuming the Snow Valley Sno-Goers landowners-public ham supper was a success on Saturday night.

The Andover Service Circle hosted their annual Senior Appreciation dinner on Monday, the 19th with a ham supper and a time of socialization preceding the meal. Thanks the ASC for this annual event that is much appreciated by all of us who fall into the senior category, whether we want to admit it or not.

On Saturday, the 24th the First Congregational Church will be sponsoring a rummage, attic treasures and bake sale in the CEB from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you have things too good to go to the Transfer Station and want to dispose of them, this would be a good way to do it. Remember your trash is someone else's treasure that will help a good cause in our community.

News from the Town Office: Absentee ballots are now available for the Nov. 3, state election. You must request your own ballot and the last day to do so is Thursday, Oct. 29. The Planning Board is looking for a member to serve as an Alternate. If you're concerned about buildings and the permitting process serving as an alternate would be a good way to get some first-hand knowledge about this important part of Town government.

There will be a public hearing on Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall held by Maine DOT to discuss the Brickett Bridge also known as the whistling bridge or singing bridge on upper Main Street before your get to the former Andover Wood Products site. The DOT installed a temporary bridge there when inspection proved the old bridge was unsafe. The problem is that the approaches to the bridge are constantly full of pot holes which either the Town crew or Steve Swasey have repaired often to make the bridge safer and easier to cross. We would like to see the approaches paved, so please come out and hear what DOT has to say about the bridge and its eventual

replacement. Dog and cat owners should be aware that there will be a Rabies Clinic on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Fire Station. Clerk Melinda Averill will be available to license dogs for 2016. You should bring proof of spaying or neutering. There is a \$15 fee for the rabies shot and cash only will be accepted. Believe it or not there are some dog owners who have not yet licensed their animals for 2015 and the law requires that they do so or be fined. These owners, I believe, have received notification from the Animal Control Officer.

Since proof of rabies shot is one of the requirements for licensure, please comply for the safety of the community. If you send me news of a pending event, how about sending me something about what happened at the event? Inquiring minds want to know. E-mail me at jorich@tvc.com.

Sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Susan Isham.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt

Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW met at the Grange Hall on Monday, Oct. 12, for a regular meeting. AJ Cary filled in as guide. Candy was brought to give to the Veteran's Home to hand out to children on Halloween. It was reported that Elsie, Sally and Vicki attended the 100th Anniversary of Joshua Chamberlain Camp 69 SUVCW at Norway. Members are to bring items for Togus at the November meeting. Either things for the Veterans or the gift shop so they can give things to their families. Next meeting, Nov. 9, is at Alice's. It is also nomination of officers. Calls reported were 28. Michelle

referred to the mystery package. President Vicki read that on this date (Oct. 12, 1864) slavery was abolished. Also, many firsts happened in the Civil War.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up. The ladies from Church had a good time of fellowship at the Chinese restaurant on Oct. 13. Coffee Cup devotions were held on Tuesday, Oct. 13. On Sunday, Oct. 25, will be Fellowship Sunday with a luncheon following the morning Service and an afternoon service instead of a 6 p.m. one. Each one is to bring a dish to share. Saturday, Nov. 7 is the Ladies' shopping trip. The Sunday School is collecting items to send children in foreign countries for Christmas. They are filling shoe boxes, so small items are needed.

Franklin Grange 124 will hold a Mock Hee-Haw Show on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall. Good music. Refreshments on sale.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman

Cold weather arrived in Gilead on Sunday. The wind blew most of the day and the sun appeared several times. In between the sunshine, there were gray clouds and a few snowflakes. There were even a few snowflakes while the sun was shining. It was a good day to stay inside and get some indoor work done.

My brother, Steve McLain, was the lucky winner of the painting that the Bethel Senior Club raffled off recently. The painting was of the Portland Headlight and it was painted by Marina McLain, granddaughter of Steve and Lise McLain. Just for the record, Lise did not pull the winning ticket out. It was done by someone else, so the fact that he won was coincidental and due to the fact that he was a good grandfa-

ther and purchased a lot of tickets!

He is also a good brother! He knew how much I wanted to win that raffle, so he gave me the painting. It now has a treasured spot on my wall along with the painting that my nephew, Joe McLain, did a few years ago.

Lise McLain won a Kindle Fire at the SeniorsPlus all day workshop at the Grand Summit Hotel in Sunday River. Lise also went to the craft fair at Woodstock school.

Hugh and I went to the Woodstock School Craft Fair this past weekend. It was fun to see all the different crafts available. We got a couple of things and I was the winner of one of the raffle items from the Chinese Auction.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Judy Bishop of Yarmouth on Oct. 27.

A couple of weeks ago, there was a story in the Bethel Citizen about the dog, Blue, who had been abused. There were several people who had sent money to help out with his medical needs, etc. One letter that arrived at the Bethel Animal Hospital was simply addressed, "The Dog in the Vets at Bethel, Me."

This reminded me of an incident that happened many years ago; maybe 30 years or so. My mother, Mildred McLain, lived in the old house on the corner and was always taking care of stray cats that appeared to her. She never had more than two or three of her own at a time, but there were always the two or three that were dropped off and came to her looking for food. She fed them outside on her porch and there was always shelter in the barn.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway

Town Meeting Hanover's Annual Town Meeting will take place next Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. at the Town House on Howard Pond Road. Selectperson Brenda Gross's current term is ending and elections will take place. Among other items on the agenda are approval of the Town Budget and whether or not to make the Town Clerk an appointed or elected position going forward. Please show your civic duty. Your attendance will be appreciated.

New Flag Pole

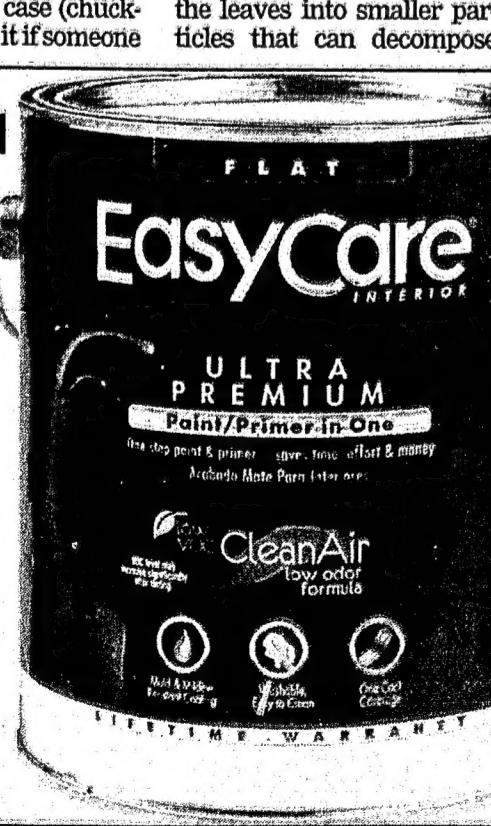
Thank you Bob Susbury and Buster Chase for installing the beautiful flagpole and bright new flags at the Town Office parking lot. The flags and pole were donated to the Town of Hanover by the Trustees of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library in memory and honor of the late Clem Worcester, lifelong Hanover resident and former Town Clerk, for his years of dedicated service to the Town. The funds were allocated from the Clem Worcester Memorial Fund established by the Library Trustees shortly after his passing.

Hunt of a Lifetime

Jeff Watts, Registered Maine Guide and resident of Hanover, had the rare pleasure of guiding three generations of the Dubois family of Rhode Island on a moose hunt. Bob Dubois has been Jeff's friend for over 35 years. Bob was accompanied on the hunt by his son Jason and grandson Cole. Jeff reported that a bull moose responded to cow calls from his birch bark call. Fourteen-year-old Cole shot the moose (at an undisclosed location) and fellow guide, Moe Hart, provided assistance during the hunt. The week ended with a successful bird hunt in Andover and the three exclaimed, "This was a hunt of a lifetime!" The moose weighed 821 pounds field dressed with a 45 inch rack with 10-inch palms and 15 points! The trophy will be mounted by a taxidermist in Rhode Island. Thank you Jeff for showing our visi-

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Locke's Mills

By Amy Wight Chapman



What a hard weekend it was. The tragic and untimely deaths of two spirited members of the community, Susan Isham and Regan Kauf, have affected so many people, and our thoughts and prayers remain, too, with the young bicyclist who was hit by a car in Bethel last Friday. It's hard to look out at the blue sky, sunshine, and stunning fall foliage, yet at the same time think about the many sad events that have taken place in our beautiful corner of the world, and during this glorious season.

When I hear the word "community," I often think first of our little village of Locke's Mills, and the houses and businesses along Main Street, Howe Hill Road, Knoll Road, and the first mile or so of the Greenwood and Gore Roads. A century or so ago, many people probably lived, worked, shopped, and went to school and church within the boundaries of that small area, and it encompassed everything that they thought of as part of their community.

As travel between villages has become easier, our sense of community has expanded. Most of us no longer work in the same town where we live, and many of us travel outside of our own villages nearly every day. The consolidation of schools that resulted in the formation of SAD 44 in 1965, and the opening of Telstar a few years later, linked several towns and created a wider community.

Nowadays, I travel to Bryant Pond to put gas in my car, to Bethel to shop and use the library, to West Paris for church and poetry group, and to Norway for my writing group. The events I write about for the paper take place as close by as the old Town Hall across the street from my house, and as far away as Upton.

Many of us have family members and friends scattered far and wide, and the technology that enables us to easily stay in touch with them broadens our communities further.

The Internet offers us an opportunity to keep in touch with people from our past, as well as to discover others who share our interests and values. I communicate regularly with cousins, college friends, and former coworkers, and I belong to a community of writers whose members live across Maine and even across the country.

It is never as apparent as when tragedy strikes that the borders of our community do not depend on physical neighborhoods or town boundary lines. There has been a huge outpouring of love and support for the families of Susan, Regan, and the injured bicyclist, and I'm glad they have the support of so many from all of their communities.

The Woodstock Historical Society is selling 50-50 calendars for \$10 each as a fundraiser. Drawings will take place throughout November, and the odds of winning a prize are pretty good, since only 125 calendars will be sold. If you'd like one, contact Joyce Howe at 665-2984 or ask another WHS member how to get one. (I bought three, one for each member of my household, so I sure hope I win something!)

The Western Mountains Senior College is sponsoring two great programs next week, both of which are free and open to the public – which means you don't have to be either a "senior" or a member of the college to attend. On Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., Linda Orsi Robinson will speak about her experience of living in the Congo, where she worked as a midwife with Doctors With-

out Borders. Her talk is part of the Down Home Maine series, and will be held in McLaughlin Auditorium at Gould Academy. The following day, Wednesday, at 12:15, Linda will conduct a Brown Bag Lunch discussion called "A Global Perspective" at the Bethel Inn Library.

E-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

South Woodstock

By Lolalee Dillingham



Monday, October 19, 2015 9 a.m. Brrrrrr, some frosty this morning, my truck was covered in thick frost but the sun is shining nicely and heating the house with it streaming thru the windows.

Got to get the garage cleaned out and repack the garage sale items so we can get the truck back in the heated garage, I so hate getting in a cold vehicle and the seats are so cold.

Snow flurries yesterday off and on all day. An the wind was bitter cold, so I decided to make a hot critter stew for supper. It sure hit the spot and warmed up the tummy.

The town crew have been working here on our road for the past week and a half, ditching and widening some of the places so they can wing the snow further back away from the road.

Am hoping they will ditch out here in front so the water will run faster this spring. Very little water runs thru our culvert during the spring as it's so full of weeds and ground growth.

Condolences are going out to the family of Ernest O. (Ernie) Cobb. Thoughts and prayers to each family member.

Front page stories are set. I have a little mouse invading my kitchen and there is only room for me in my kitchen, so we have traps set out to catch him. They love the chunky peanut butter with a small amount of cheese mixed in.

Get well wishes for those who are not feeling quite up to par these days. You are all in our prayers for a speedy recovery.

I am working on a hat, headband, scarf and mitten set for a very special young lady; she loves pink so I chose a pretty plaid and will trim it all off with white. I am also going to make her a set of leg warmers and wrist cuffs to match.

I am so missing my hummingbirds; they were my highlight every day with their antics. So now I'm waiting for my winter birds to arrive, especially the cardinals and Red Breasted Grossbeaks. Am also hoping for a couple of Titmouse this year, only had one here last winter for a couple of days, then he was gone.

Many of our friends have already packed up and headed out for the warmer climates for the winter months; will miss them but we will stay in touch through Facebook. Safe travel mercies for those traveling to their win-



What the hopefully future outdoor basketball court space looks like in 2015; a number of citizens are anxious to see some progress.

D. Bennett

Upton

By Joe Bernier



The State Line Snowmobile club met Tuesday, Oct. 13. They did not hold their annual elections. They discussed trails, bridges and the upcoming season.

Saturday, a group of family and friends got together to help my daughter and her husband move to their new home. We got the job done and had fun doing it.

Sunday, I put wood in the shed. That job doesn't require a lot of focus, as my brain began wandering, I started estimating how many times firewood was moved or handled from start to finish. I divided the process into three tasks. First task, preparing the wood (the task that the seller would do if you were buying wood cut, split and delivered). The second task is storing the wood, (getting it into the shed). The final task is consuming the wood. Here are my estimates. First task, preparing the wood: 1. Felling the trees; 2. cutting the limbs off the trees; 3. dragging the trees to the landing and pushing them into a pile; 4. cutting the trees into stove length; 5. moving the wood as it is cut to get access to the trees under it; 6. putting the wood on the splitter; 7. holding the wood as it is split; 8. throwing it into a pile, where it will stay for a year or two. Second task: storing the wood: 1. pick the wood up and put it in the pickup; 2. throw the wood into the shed; 3. pile the wood. Third task: consuming the wood: 1. load the wood onto the wood-cart; 2. wheel the cart to the wood-box; 3. unload the cart and pile the wood in the box; 4. put the wood in the stove; 5. take out the ashes. According to this estimate and my math, the total times that the wood is handled or moved is 16. So including the actual burning of the wood, it can warm you up 17 different times.

We did not hear many rifle shots last week during

moose season or see many hunters in this area. I would like to know how many moose were shot in Upton and Grafton this year.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your local news.

Waterford

By Rockie Graham



It is 4 a.m. and this will be a short column. My left hand is asleep and I am typing with just my right. At least it is warm in this room. It is right above the wood stove. I am still waiting to redo this room so I can type without hurting my back. Soon.

Last week's column disappeared into cyberspace as my computer was not working properly. Hopefully it will today.

Condolences go out to the family of Susan Isham. Susan was an energetic person with lots of life in her. I hope the guy who hit her spends time in jail and loses his license, not that it would have stopped him from driving, anyway. I hate to see someone with so much life and so much to give snuffed out so young.

I am on new medication to try to conquer this UTI. It makes me tired and so dizzy I do not dare to drive. I can barely walk without falling over. But if it works, that will be great. I am tired from lack of sleep. Enough complaining.

One more week and Halloween will be here. I have not bought candy for the trick or treaters, yet. Hard to know if there will be any. I did see the elementary bus go by the other day. That means there are young kids in the neighborhood. Haven't seen them yet, but perhaps they will stop by. Most go to Norway these days. More houses to hit per square block. I always buy a big bag and end up eating the candy. Have to figure out what to do with it if no one comes.

Oct. 25 Singer songwriter Brad Hooper will be at the North Waterford Church at 3 p.m. It is a free will offering to benefit the Deacons Fund of the North Waterford/East Stoneham churches. The fund supports local families in need. The church is down the road from Melby's in North Waterford. Sounds

seem to be in much of a rush, almost like he was enjoying the security of his new home. The kids at the Eddy School were excited to have a school mascot, and they liked having him around for a few days. By Saturday, he was becoming quite the tourist attraction. He was pretty easy to see driving by, and lots of people were stopping by for a look. The local Game Warden stopped by to check out the situation. We figured that we didn't need to have the bear around Monday morning when the kids came back, so we devised a plan to get him down Sunday morning. Well the bear must have overheard our plan, along with all the commotion on Saturday, because he was gone come Sunday. It was definitely an unusual experience. I hope the bear got the break it needed and will den up for the winter and survive to see another year.

Chair of the Newry school withdrawal committee, Jim Sysko, said that the committee had agreed with the school board to meet with the mediator, John Alfano on Nov. 17 and 24 from 1 to 5 p.m. both days if needed to continue working on pushing for a final agreement. This meeting is not open to the public.

Dog licenses are available at the town office. We will have to get one soon because we finally got a new puppy.

Mason

By Richard Grover



We got a call from our good friend Gail Weston one day last week with this news. They went to check on their former home (now under contract to new owner) and found a large hole through the living room window! Upon going inside, they found a dead partridge on the floor amid a thousand pieces of their window glass. Gail said the hole was the size of a basketball, and the bird had nearly made it to the wall opposite the shattered window. That "chicken" must have been doing Mach 1 when it hit the window! And it's the wrong season to be lookin' for love!

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Where are Telstar alums now?

(Note: SAD 44 recently began featuring individual Telstar High School alumni on its Facebook page, and they will also be printed in the Citizen. Alumni wishing to submit information about themselves should go to the SAD 44 Facebook page.)

From Lauren Conroy of the Class of 2007: After graduating high school in 2007 I attended the University of Vermont. From there I lived in Beirut, Lebanon and Boston, Mass. I currently live in Washington, D.C. where I work as a Program Coordinator at the Institute for Inclusive Security (<https://www.inclusivesecurity.org/>), an international peace building organization working to make the world more secure through inclusive approaches to ending conflict and building sustainable peace. I focus on our Syria team where I help increase the quantity and quality of women's participation in the Syrian political transition through supporting advocacy workshops and trainings in Turkey and Lebanon. Submitted photo



DEMPSEY CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS-Members of The Sunday River community participated in the 7th annual Dempsey Challenge this past weekend. Though the temps were below freezing at the start, several team members completed the Century (100 miles) ride. Most importantly, this year's team raised over \$16,000 with help from many Bethel area residents and businesses. "A special recognition to 22 Broad Street for their fundraising dinner and to the customers of Ski Depot for each of their generous contributions," said participant Brett Webber. Submitted photo

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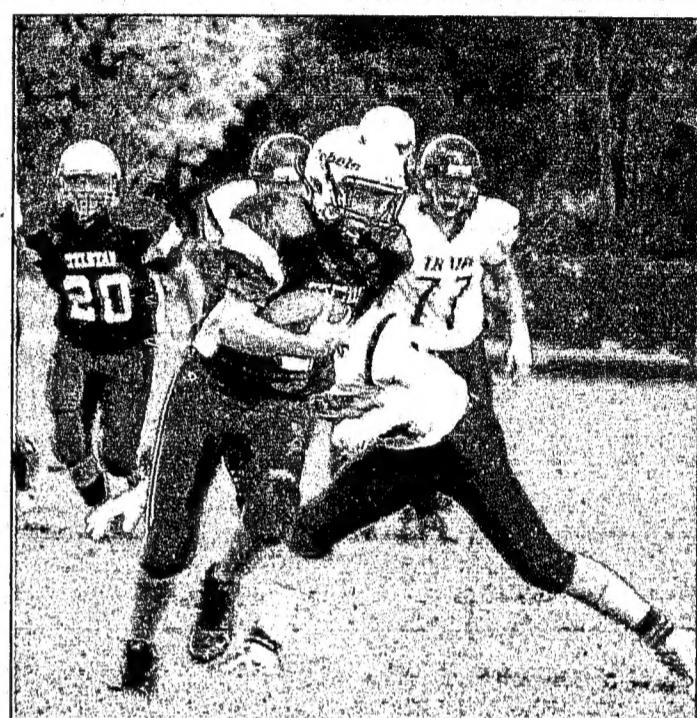
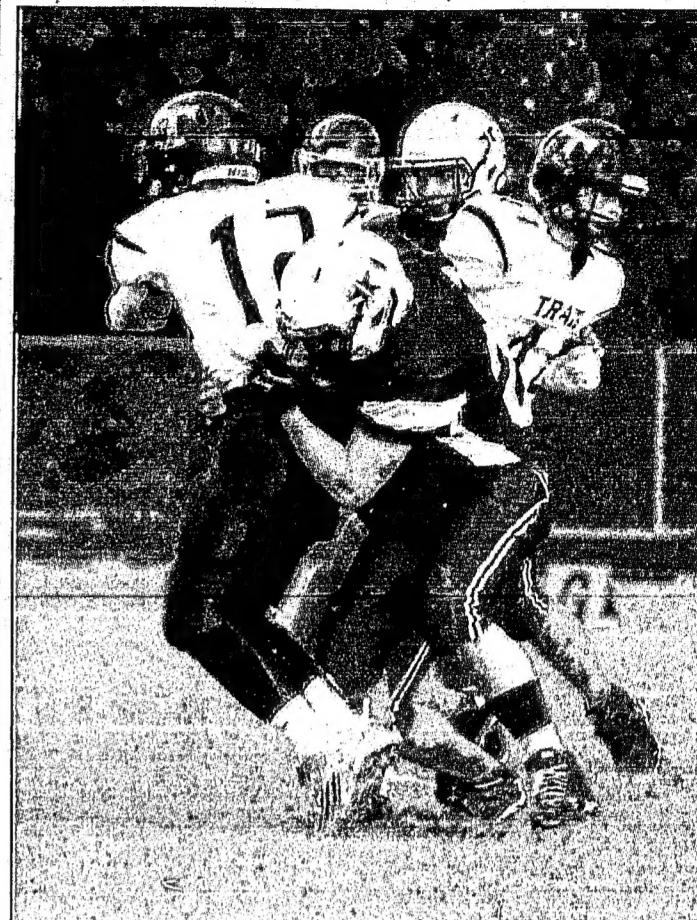
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Sports



The Telstar High School Football Team hosted Traip Academy Saturday. Traip prevailed, 45-14. The Rebels will host their last game, against Lisbon, this Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

A. Aloisio

**High School Varsity Soccer**

Monmouth 3, Telstar 1; Oct. 16-The Telstar High School soccer team finished their regular season with a loss to top contending Monmouth. The Rebels knew this game was going to be tough, and found themselves down 2-0 at half. The Rebels got back into the game when Kellen True scored early in the second half. The game would remain 2-1 until Monmouth sealed the deal with another goal late in the game. "We had to do something different, so we tried a new formation. The team had two days to learn it and it almost worked. I am disappointed because with this loss we will finish just outside a playoff spot. Our season goal was to make playoffs and we fell slightly short of that." - Coach John Eliot

Oxford County Democrats to meet

The Oxford County Democrats will meet on Sunday, Oct. 25 at 4 p.m. at the Norway Town Office. The meeting will include general business with reports on recent activities, candidate recruitment, and planning for the Presidential caucuses on March 6. The meeting is open to registered Democrats as well as those interested in working to elect Democrats. Additional information is available on the Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/OxfordCountyDems> or by calling Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

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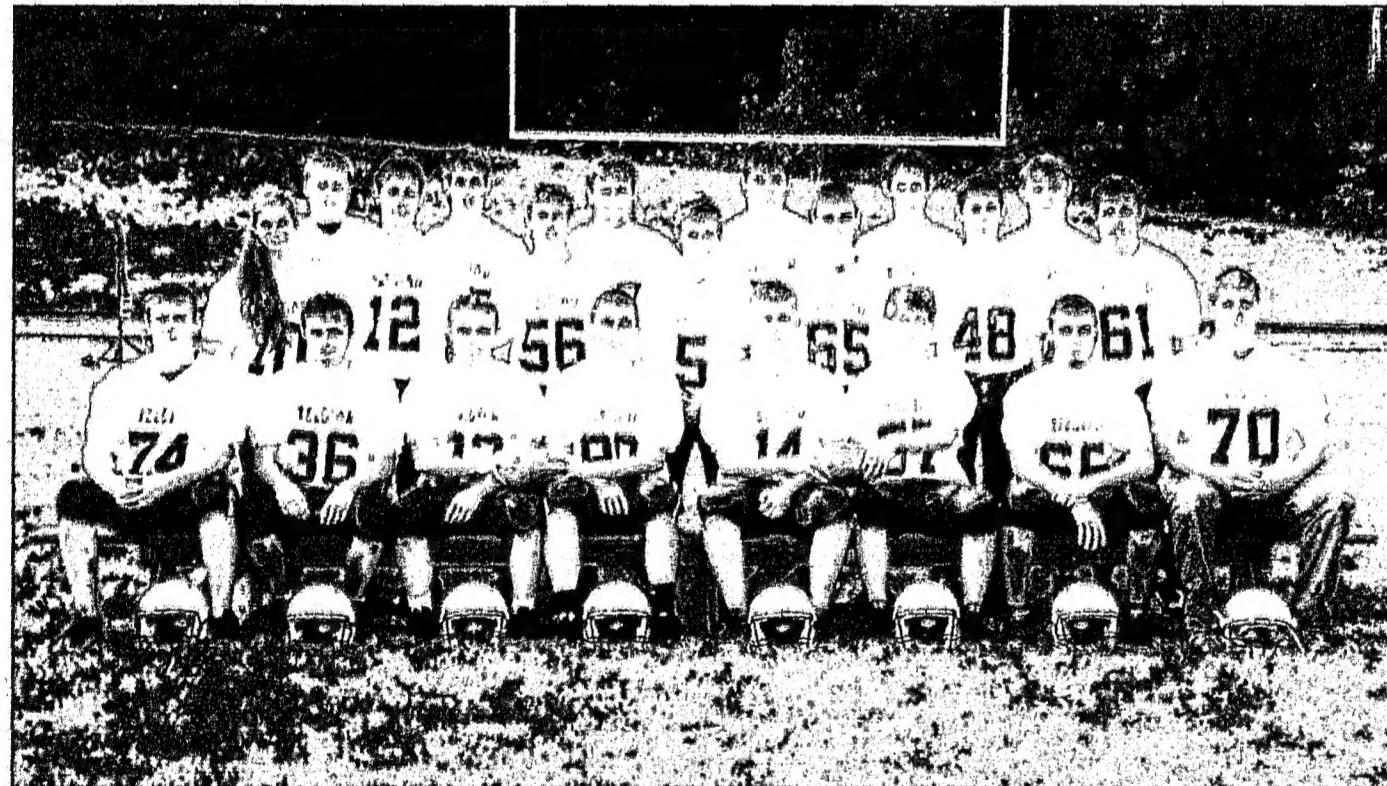
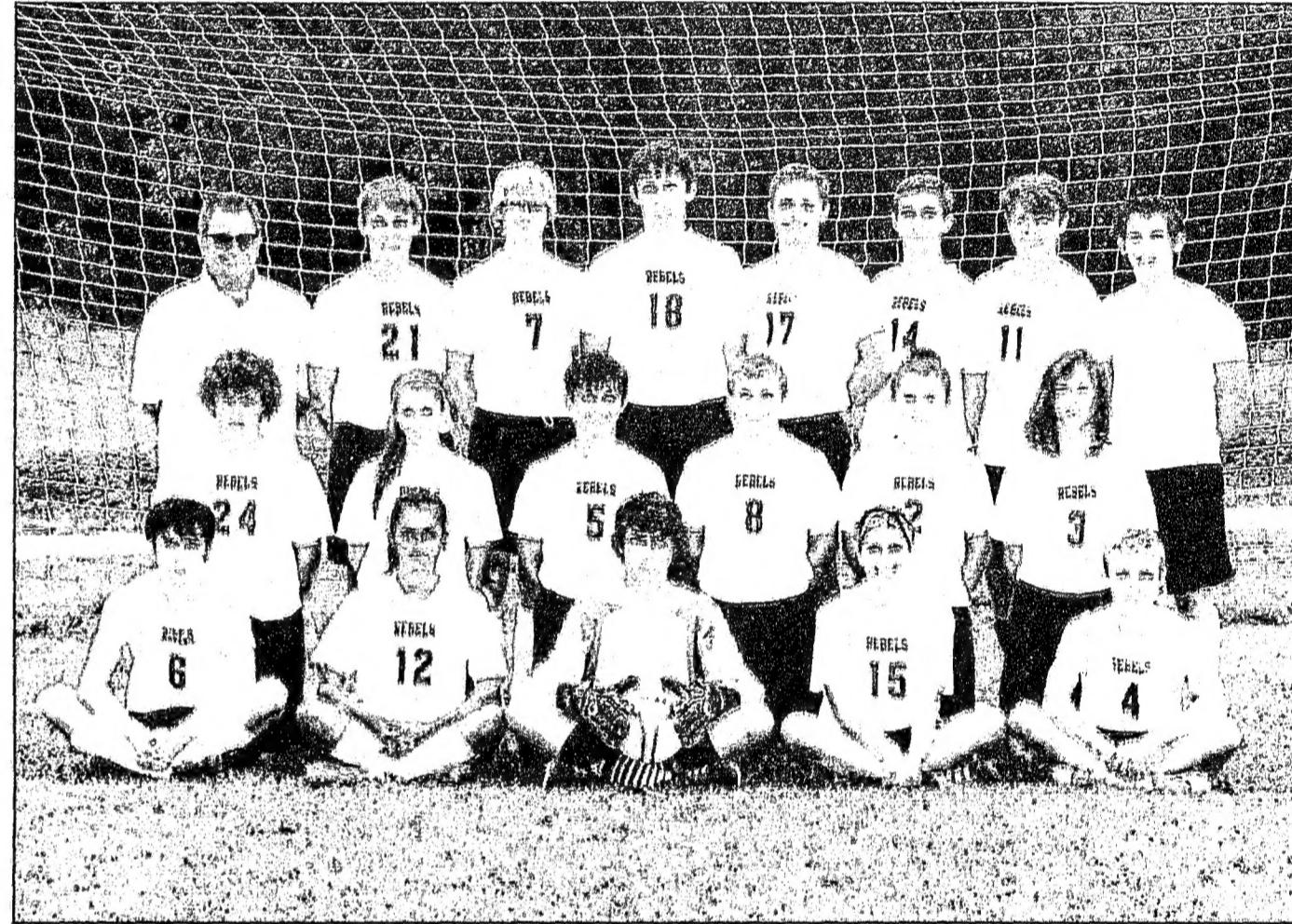


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Front: Toby Walker, John Walker. Back: Hunter Williamson, Reggie Westleigh, Russell Cushman.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2015 CROSS-COUNTRY
Front: Kristi Hanscom, Gaelan Boyle-Wight, Kaitlyn Brown. Back: Marta Opie, Carla Boyle-Wight, Ricco Call, Emily Hanscom, Bethany Laird.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2015 SOCCER
Front: Zach Stone, Shannon Alanskas, Tanner Wheeler, Maggie Bergeron, Tristen Lilly. Middle: Joe Dillon, Katie Killam, Zack Hill, Boston Ludden, Ashley Savage, Hakan Chartier. Back: Coach John Eliot, Josh Eliot, Calob Wilday, James Newkirk, Kellen True, Avry Griffin, Willis Stevens, Hakan Chartier.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2015 FOOTBALL
Front: Grady Harrington, Devin Merrill, Dakota Merrill, Jack Connell, Elijah Mason, Calvin Glover, Fabian Corriveau, Keith Crockett-Harrington. Middle: Elizabeth Brooks (mgr.), Dale Leighton, Robert Sicotte, Joseph Sicotte, Austin Corriveau, Shawn Mador, Caleb Merrill. Back: Josh Crosby, Aaron Vermette, Dakota Hutchins, Connor Landes, Thomas Watson, Brad Lessard. Absent: Destiny Hutchins (mgr.)

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2015 FIELD HOCKEY

Front: Wynter Morin, Alexis Sing, Tiffany Waterhouse, Natasha Hart, Crystal Chapman. Middle: EmaLee Harrington, Taylor Merrill, Olivia York, Savannah Vermette, Hayley Peterson, Becca Howard, Sierra Ryerson, Mariah Millett. Back: Coach Wight, Blair Stevens, Octavia Morin, Sarah Wright, Cassidy Smith, Victoria Crockett-Harrington, Kelsey Hurlbert, Kaiya Corriveau, Coach Davis, Storey St. Pierre (mgr.).

(Photos courtesy LifeTouch)



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Complete an Age-Friendly Community survey

Last week the Age-Friendly Community Project hosted two meetings to both inform the public of the project and to solicit ideas from people. These ideas will be shared through this column in the near future. If you'd like more information on what this is all about, you may contact Nancy Davis (nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com or 381-1110).

The next big step is for community members over the age of 50 (it need not be restricted to the town of Bethel) to complete a survey, which will greatly help us move into action plans. Those surveys are available at the following locations; you are invited to pick up a copy, complete it, and mail it in the self-addressed envelope: the Bethel Library, the Western Mountains Senior College at Telstar, the Bethel Family Health Center, the Bethel laundromat, the District Exchange, and the town offices of Bethel, Newry, Greenwood, and Woodstock.

The survey deadline of Nov. 6 is important so that the data can be analyzed by a professional company and be available to direct our work. If you can't mail it to us, feel free to contact Jackie Cressy, who can pick it up for you (riven-dellhousebnb@me.com or 824-0508).



LEARNING ABOUT HEALTH AND SAFETY—Last week the children at Nurturing Vines Childcare learned about Community Helpers, Emergency Care, Health and Safety. The following people that took the time to talk about what they do: Oxford County Sheriff's Deputy Andy Whitney, the Bethel Fire Department, Bethel Rescue, Dr. Catherine Chamberlin, Hannaford Pharmacist Scott Fraser, and Director of Cardiovascular Medicine of the New England Heart Institute at Androscoggin Valley Hospital Dr. Dan VanBuren. *Submitted photos*

First Universalist Church of West Paris November Services

November may move us into colder days and nights, but it also draws us closer than inviting homes and hearths. We invite all to Sunday worship services at the First Universalist Church of West Paris, where one can find warmth in fellowship and exploration of moving topics. Our worship services begin at 9 a.m. followed by refreshments, and are provided by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson at least two services per month, by guest speakers, and our worship service committee.

Nov. 1: "Turn, Turn, Turn."

To everything there is a season the song goes, and guest speaker Pat Harris will consider the legacy and the gifts of a lifetime of seasons in Unitarian Universalist Churches she has been fortunate enough to be part of. Do the messages from our two faith traditions affect those we come into contact with, both in our personal and our working lives, even if we aren't aware of it? Are we actually accidental missionaries whose deeds really can speak louder than creeds? Pat Harris is lifelong Maine resident and a third

generation UU who is now a member of the Brunswick UU Church. Currently, she is a member of the governing board, the Worship and Building and Grounds Committees, and facilitates a UU writing group. In what time she has left over after all her committee meetings, she is an aspiring artist, a passionate writer and quilter, and lover of cats and German Shepherd dogs.

Nov. 8: "Be a Stream, Not a Swamp" is led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. Writer Victor M. Parachin wrote, "Be a stream, not a

swamp. Remember, it is the mountain stream that carries fresh, life-giving water because it flows out. However, the swamp is stagnant. A swamp collects and retains water that comes its way. Don't be the kind of person who seeks to accumulate much before allowing a little to flow through." Join us this Sunday as we explore the concepts of greed, gratitude, and gracious giving. The Reverend Fayre Stephenson leads services at the First Universalist Church of West Paris at least twice a month.

Nov. 15: "What about this Aging?" is led by guest speaker, Marilyn Hammond. We'll explore aging—the problems and the joys. Marilyn is a long-time leader at the South Paris Universalist Church and graduate of The Renaissance Program, a UUA program that offers training for professional religious educators, seminarians and lay leaders on topics such as UU History and Identity, Administration, Philosophy, Worship. She is a re-

tired teacher and is an active in many community efforts.

Nov. 22: "A Communion of Thanksgiving" is led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. At this service we'll celebrate a cornbread communion as we reflect on the first Thanksgiving and gratitude, we'll also consider Epicurus's assertion that "it is not what we have but what we enjoy that constitutes our abundance."

Nov. 29: "Music Sunday" led by music director, Jim Burke. "Music is the universal language of mankind" — Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Please join us for a celebration of life using some new songs as well as some old favorites.

For more information about the church and services, please contact Martha Clements, 674-2143, mclements96894@roadrunner.com, or Bob Clifford at 674-3422, bobarlen@megalink.net. To learn more about Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, please visit <http://www.uua.org/>.

"Damnationland" films at Gem Theater

The Gem Theater (formerly Casablanca) of Bethel will offer a screening venue for "Damnationland: The Way Life Should Bleed." It's a collection of short suspenseful and horror films, all by Maine film makers. Showings will be Friday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 24 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 25 at 4 p.m. (Running time is 2 hours, 7 minutes).

According to information provided by Damnationland:

"Damnationland is a dark short film showcase, premiering brand new films from Maine. These are all

original Maine works that redefine the classic thriller and horror categories. They can be shocking. They can be surreal. They can be comedic, or artful. Even scary. Damnationland offers a variety of shadowy visions from a wide array of artists. All the films of Damnationland, however share a few essential qualities.

They are all new.

They are all dark.

And they are all Maine.

Damnationland was founded seven years ago by Portland residents Allen Baldwin, Eddy Bolz, and David Mielejohn. Since then, Damnationland programs have showcased 29 different short films in dozens of theaters around Maine, Los Angeles, New York City and Ohio.

While these films are not rated, they do contain strong language and depictions of violence, and therefore may not be appropriate for younger children or sensitive viewers.

For more information go to <http://www.damnationland.com/news/>



A RIDE FOR HIS TEACHER—At the Andover Historical Society Open House on Saturday, Scott Farrington gave a ride in his 1932 Pontiac to his former teacher from 5th and 6th grade, Joyce Morgan. The car has an interesting history. It was purchased by the Coombs family in East Andover originally and then by Robert and Violet Swain who left the car in the care of Scott. The vehicle spent its entire life in East Andover, where it still resides. *Submitted photo*

Jack-o-Lantern Spectacular at McLaughlin

The Third Annual Jack-o-Lantern Spectacular will be held at the McLaughlin Garden at 103 Main Street in South Paris Oct. 23 and 24 from 6 to 9 p.m. Hundreds of carved pumpkins will line garden paths. Area students and garden volunteers will prepare the seasonal display. A giant pumpkin decorated by an experienced wood-

carver will be prominently displayed. The barn will be decorated and seasonal music will set the mood.

The ticket price, \$5 with children under 2 free, includes cider and popcorn. Those bringing carved pumpkins before noon on Oct. 23 will receive free admission. Carvers may pick up their pumpkins on Sunday.

Special this year will be photo opportunity set-ups. Props for seasonal pictures will be available so that participants may take selfies or have others snap pictures. Hanging picture frames and mirrors are possibilities. Come in costume to take full advantage.

Chandler Funeral Home is sponsoring this event.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2015

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilford, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street. Donations for the Bethel Food Pantry should be left on the porch at 57 Elm Street. Contact Dave Bean at beand@gouldacademy.org or 824-0369 with any questions.

Thursday, Oct. 22

SeniorsPlus Distance Learning Program; 1 to 2:30 p.m., West Paris Library. Hear Maine author Walt Bannon speak on his book "The White Pocketbook." Free with pre-registration. FMI/Registration: 1-800-427-1241.

Healthy Habits for a Healthier You; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Emerging evidence suggests there are steps you can take to help keep your brain healthier as you age, which might also reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. FMI: Rosabelle Tiffet (rtiffet@megalink.net or 824-2053).

Maine Poet Laureate; 5:30 to 7 p.m., Rumford Library Public Room. The library's 4th Thursday Poetry group welcomes Wesley McNair for his third visit; McNair will read poems of gratitude and celebration, especially for Thanksgiving time. Reception with light refreshments to follow the program. Free and open to the public. FMI: 364-3661.

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Saturday, Oct. 24

Bake Sale; 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Bethel United Methodist Church, 79 Main Street, Bethel.

Annual Ticket Auction; 3:30 p.m. viewing, 5 p.m. ticket drawing, 2nd Congregational Church of Norway. Auction items include a handmade bench from Don Gouin, handcrafted painted nesting boxes by Bruce Davidson, vintage apple crates book shelves and more. FMI: 743-2290.

Public Chicken Pie Supper 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., VFW Post 9787, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Sponsored by AmVets Post 777. Adults/\$8, kids 12 and under/\$4.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

SNAFU; 8 p.m., Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Road, South Paris. Two hilarious Celebration Barn Alumni, Leland Faulkner and Michael Menes, entertain their audiences with outrageous sketch comedy, slapstick, hilarious characters, awesome juggling, crazy gags, and mind-boggling magic. Tickets: \$14/adults, \$12/seniors (60+), \$8/kids (17 and under). All tickets are general admission. FMI/ Ticket purchases: www.CelebrationBarn.com or 743-8452.

Sunday, Oct. 25

Longaberger Basket Bingo; doors open at 11 a.m., Bingo begins at 12:30 p.m., Responsible Pet Care. Play Bingo for wonderful prizes arrayed in beautiful Longaberger baskets. There will be 16 games of bingo, plus two cover-all games, lots of door prizes and additional activities and raffles. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Singer-Songwriter Brad Hooper; 3 p.m., North Waterford Church (on Route 35 opposite Melby's Eatery). A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the Deacons' Fund of the North Waterford/East Stoneham churches, which supports local families in need.

Oxford County Democratic Meeting; 4 p.m., Norway Town Hall. FMI: County Chair Cathy Newell (875-2116).

Mahoosuc Land Trust Annual Meeting; 7 p.m., Ordway Living Room, Gould Academy, Church Street, Bethel. Gary Stern will present and discuss the community survey results that were used by the Mahoosuc Land Trust to develop a 5-year strategic plan to engage the community in its conservation activities. The public is welcome to attend. \$5 requested donation. FMI: www.mahoosuc.org or 824-3806.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

Wilderness Survival Course; 4:30 to 6 p.m. (this is the first in a 4-week course series that will meet each Tuesday through Nov. 17), White Mountains Community College. Instructor: Licensed New Hampshire Guide, Jeff Swayze. Tuition: \$85. This course is split into classroom discussions and field experience. Topics covered include shelter building, fire making, water and food gathering and more. FMI/

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From a Village in the Congo; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. Linda Orsi Robinson, Doctors Without Borders in the Democratic Republic of the Congo hopes her book will "help raise awareness of how our actions impact the global stage." FMI: Amy Chapman (amy.w.chapman@gmail.com) or Ellen Marshal (ellensmarshal@gmail.com or 824-2643).

Wednesday, Oct. 28

Brown Bag Lunch; 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., Bethel Inn Library. "A Global Perspective," Linda Robinson. How can we improve our sensitivity toward cultures vastly different from our own? What responsible actions might be suggested? Linda's Down Home Maine presentation the previous evening will be a valuable introduction, but it is not necessary to attend both. FMI/Reservations: Nancy Davis (nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com or 381-1110).

Community Supper; 4:30 to 6 p.m. (No Charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road. (across from the Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

We Jumped; Reading and book-signing with the Remingtons; 6:30 p.m., Bethel Library, 5 Broad Street, Bethel. Brothers Bob and Tim Remington, champion skiers and ski-jumpers in the 1960s and 70s, collaborated to write *We Jumped*, which tells the local history of ski jumping in Western Maine and New Hampshire. They will read from their book and sign copies, which will be available for purchase at the event. Profits benefit the Ski Museum of Maine and the Maine Ski Hall of Fame. FMI: 824-2520.

Oct. 30 and 31

Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale; Friday 6 to 9 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. Come check out new and used ski, snowboard and cross country ski gear. Used equipment can be dropped off from 3 to 6 p.m. Friday. All proceeds of the sale go to promoting cross country skiing and people powered sports to all youth and adults in the Bethel area. For more details of the sale, go to <http://www.bethelouting.org/>.

Friday, Oct. 30

Community Supper and Presentation; 5:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Doug, Andee, Ben and Chaia Alford hiked 350 kilometers on the Santiago de Comino in July. They followed the traditional medieval pilgrimage route of thousands who hike the hills. They stayed in hotels and hostels maintained along the trail. Come hear their stories and see photos. Beans, casseroles and homemade pies will be served. Donations will be accepted for the WPCC Smile Fund for dentures in the greater Bethel area.

Halloween Dance with Joe "The Music Man" Sirois; 6 to 8 p.m., Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Open to the public. Refreshments will be available. Donations are welcome and will benefit the Hope Association.

Saturday, Oct. 31

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Rumford Elementary School, Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. A variety of crafts will be on sale and the ABC Café will be serving lunch. This is the 22nd annual Craft Fair that is sponsored by the RES Parent/Teacher Organization. This event is open to the public.

SMASH the Cancer Out; 10 a.m., Bethel Auto Sales. Come take a swing at the "Crash Victim" vehicle and support three local families affected by cancer. Cost of swings with a baseball bat: Adults/\$5 per swing or 3 swings for \$10, Teens/\$3 per swing or 3 swings for \$6, kids (12 and under)/\$2 per swing or 3 swings for \$4. \$50 for 50 swings...if your arms can handle it. Hamburgers and hotdogs available for purchase.

The Outlook Recording Celebrates 35 Years; 1 to 5 p.m., 894 Mayville Road, Bethel. Come join us for a glass of wine, beer or spiced cider, sweet and spicy snacks, and music from the last 35 years. FMI: www.outlookstudio.com.

Bethel Masonic Lodge Haunted House; 5 to 8 p.m., 6 Chapman Street, Bethel. Open to all ages.

Fall Harvest Festival; 6 to 7:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from the Telstar parking lot). Featuring Trick-or-Trunk, games, balloons, children's tattoos, cider and more. FMI: 824-2289.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

Halloween Sock Hop; 7 to 10 p.m., Andover Elementary School. DJ Mike Patrick. Donations: Preschool free, Kindergarten to grade 5 \$2, grade 6 and up \$5. Proceeds benefit the Hungry Kingdom hot lunch program and Andover PTA. FMI: Sharon Hutchins (392-4351).

Friday, Nov. 6

Putting the Garden to Bed; 9 a.m., McLaughlin Garden and Homestead. Volunteers will gather to assist the horticultural director in "putting the garden to bed". All are welcome to participate with many different tasks; there will be a job for everyone. Lunch will be provided. Spend the day or a few hours.

Saturday, Nov. 7

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Telstar High School Cafeteria. Crafts, ticket auction, bake sale. Proceeds benefit the Telstar Alumni Assn. FMI: Sally (875-3335).

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Maine Veterans Home,

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Monday, Nov. 9

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

SAD 44 School Board Meeting; 6:30 p.m., Crescent Park Elementary School.

Tuesday, Nov. 10

Look Good, Feel Better; 6 to 8 p.m., Stephens Memorial Hospital, 181 Main Street, Norway. What is the latest weapon available in the fight against cancer? For women participating in the Look Good, Feel Better program, the weapon of choice is a makeup brush. The program offers support for women experiencing appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment. During each free session - facilitated by licensed cosmetologists who volunteer their time - attendees receive instruction on makeup application and skin care, as well as suggestions for wearing wigs, scarves and other items. All attendees receive a complimentary makeup kit, and participants are never asked to buy anything. Pre-registration required. FMI: PattiAnn Douglas (744-6173).

Wednesday, Nov. 11

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting; 11 a.m., Bethel Methodist Church. This will be a potluck dinner. Please note this is a change in the location and meal.

Thursday, Nov. 12

Emily Ecker guest speaker at Whitman Memorial Library; 2 p.m. Emily, of Bryant Pond, will give a talk about a hiking trip in Olympic and Mt. Rainier National Parks in Washington that she took with her husband, Marcel Polak. The parks are an example of three distinct ecological environments. There will be a slide show and maps. Program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Saturday, Nov. 14

CPR and First Aid Class; 9 a.m., Oxford Public Safety Building. Course includes basic first aid, adult, child, and infant CPR and the use of an AED. On successful completion of the one-day course, you will receive a two-year certification in accordance with the American Heart Association. FMI: Patty (671-4460).

Public Chinese Auction; 3:30 viewing, 5 p.m. auction, VFW Hall, 55 Main Street, South Paris. The lunch counter will be open.

Telstar Football Benefit Dance; 8 to midnight, American Legion Hall, Locke's Mills. Bands: The Ball Brothers and The Way Back Machine. BYOB. \$15 per person or \$20 per couple. 50/50 and Silent Auction.

Nov. 20 and 21

Senior College Players; 7 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. See a different side of your friends and neighbors as they perform in this popular annual event.

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Friday, Nov. 27

River Valley All Catholic School Alumni Reunion; 5 p.m. Mass at Holy Savior followed by dinner downstairs in the parish hall to be held at St. Athanasius & St. John's Church, 126 Main Street, Rumford. Alumni from St. Athanasius & St. John's, St. Theresa's and Holy Savior are invited to attend. Reservations: Marie (491-7524).

Sunday, Nov. 29

Bethel Rotary's Country Breakfast; 7:30 to 11 a.m., Gould Academy's Ordway Hall, Church Street, Bethel. Adults/\$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. Children/\$5. Proceeds to benefit community projects and scholarships.

Music of December - A Concert Class; 3 to 4:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. A variety of religious and popular songs of the season will be discussed and performed by an ensemble of local and imported musicians, including a chorus, soloists and instrumentalists.

Monday, Dec. 14

SAD 44 School Board Meeting; 6:30 p.m., Telstar Library.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - EXOTIC FRUITS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: What is a vampire's favorite fruit?

ACKEE

CHERIMOYA

FIG

GUAVA

JUJUBE

LIME

LYCHEE

MADRONE

MANGO

MELON

PERSIMMON

PINEAPPLE

PLUM

SATSUMA

SLOE

SWEETSOP

TAMARIND

TANGELO

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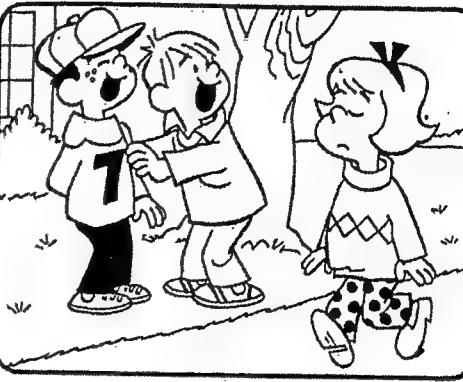
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Riddle answer: _____

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



1. Cap is different. 2. Stripe on pants is missing. 3. Shirt is missing.
4. Bow is smaller. 5. Balloon is missing. 6. Sweater design is different.
Differences: _____

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: L equals P

OSR YNOSRYNOZHNG SNF N

LRNCCP TGLRNCZIOZH SJVR. Z

LRHBJG PJT HJTCF HNCC ZO

"VZ ZG OSR IBP."

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Adorn	SHARING
Donate	WENOD
Consume	FUNGLE
Positive	TRACINE

TODAY'S WORD

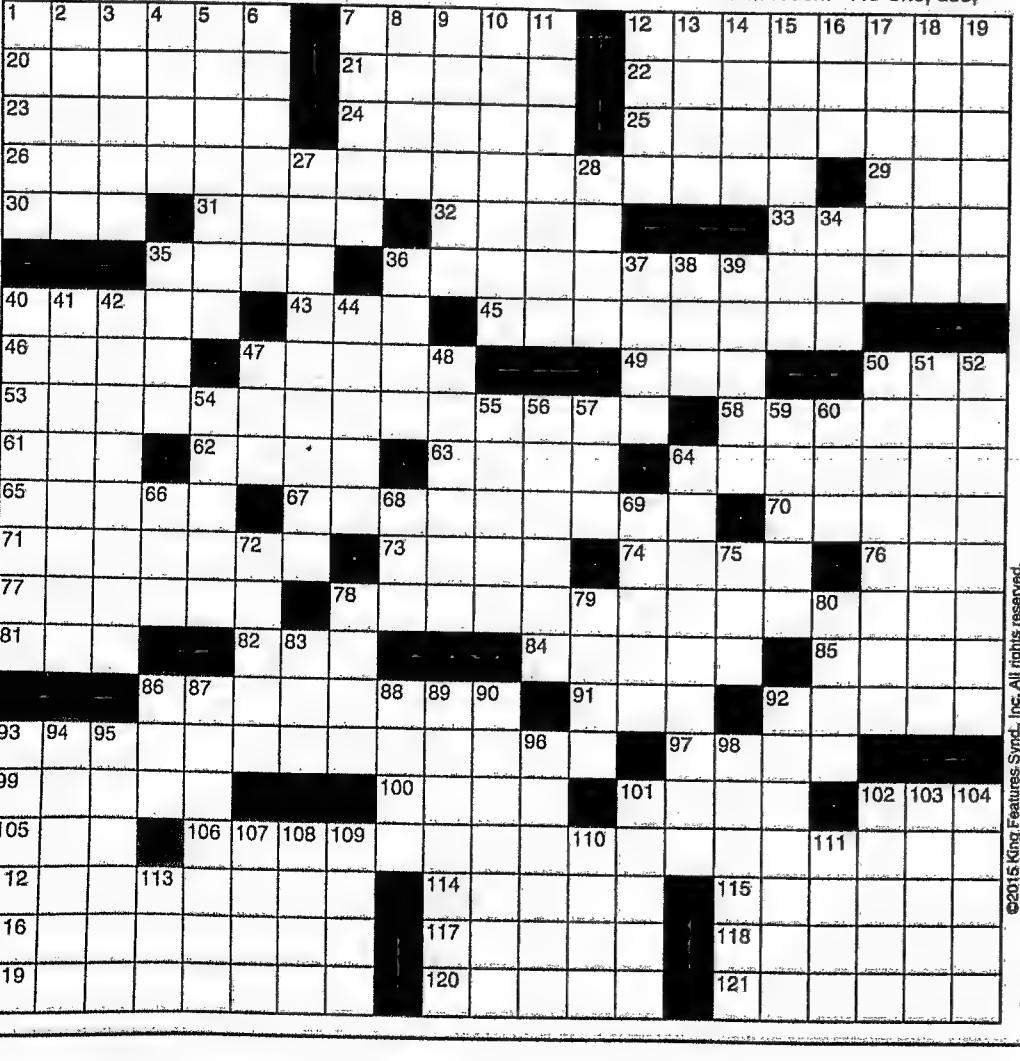


"I want some place where I can just sit around and relax and get

Super Crossword

SCRABBLING SPORTS TEAMS

ACROSS	47	Nonessential	85	Hodgepodge	120	A-, C-, or F	34	Is sick with	69	"— Hope"
1	Mascara	— acids	86	Suspenseful	121	Cease	35	Casino	70	(bygone soap opera)
2	messes	49	Bond	91	Popular	and —	36	Mandlikova	72	Dinner fowl
3	Cover girl	novelist	92	Storm:	122	Jarring blow	37	Elevator	75	Flight stat
4	Cheryl	Fleming	93	finding	123	2 Film	38	Gun owners'	78	Côte d—
5	100%	50	Eggs in a	94	system	3 Hoops great	39	Shrimps	79	—R-U
6	React to with	51	lab	95	team whose	40	40 Un-	80	Soft-soap	
7	loud laughter	52	Basketball	96	team whose	41	punctuality	83	Toothpaste	
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9	Stirring to	54	team whose	98	team whose	43	41 Narcissism	85	Golfer	
10	action	55	members	99	team whose	44	42 Bazaar	86	Michelle	
11	Bracelets?	56	have pet	100	two Emmys	45	43 Gaudy	87	(magazine)	
12	Spanish	57	macaws?	101	Extreme	46	44 Larklike	88	Birds' bills	
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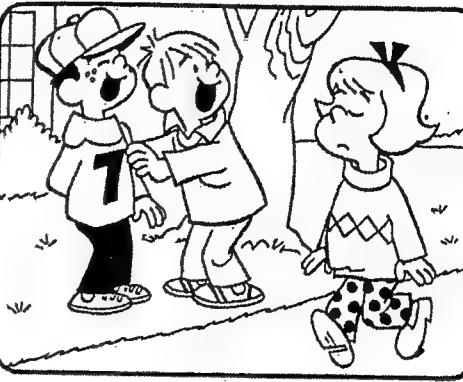


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Clue: L equals P

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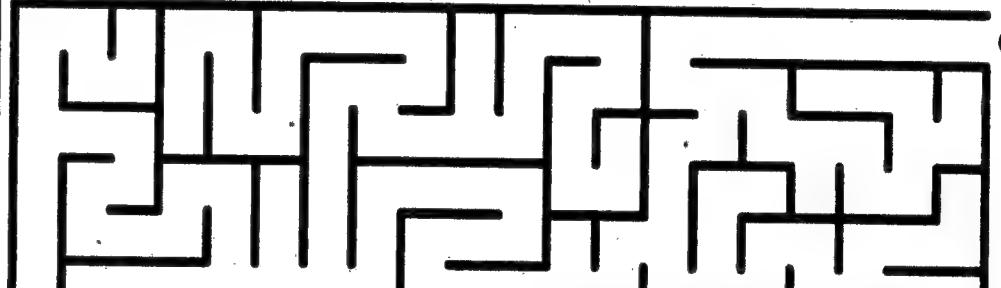
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Snowflakes

by Japheth Light

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Poet Laureate at Rumford Library today

Maine Poet Laureate Wesley McNair is returning to the Rumford Library on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 5:30 p.m., another in the 4th Thursday Poetry program sponsored by the Rumford Library Friends.

McNair said, "This reading...will kick off my last tour as poet laureate, and I can't think of a better place to do it."

The Oct. 22 program will be based on the themes of praise and celebration, opening the Thanksgiving time to participants.

McNair's goal, he says, is "put aside the worlds of conflicts and imperfections with poems inspired by one of poetry's oldest themes: gratitude."

Since McNair's poetry often moves his listeners to laughter, tears, or both, the audience can depend on ex-

periencing a range of emotions at the event.

The 4th Thursday poetry program is sponsored by the Friends of the Rumford Library and offered monthly throughout the calendar year, excepting the holiday months, November and December. Members of the 4th Thursday group come together to share their own or favorite poets' works or to enjoy hearing special guests like McNair talk about poetry.

Hearing poetry read aloud is an entirely different experience from just reading it – a wonderful experience," notes Jane Shuck. She is President of the Library Friends and one of McNair's many fans. "We're delighted to have Wes McNair with us. His informal style and warmth,

his wonderful stories, engage everyone."

Wesley McNair is easy to talk to, very approachable, and he is a renowned poet who has twice been invited to read at the Library of Congress. Recently, he was selected for a United States Artists Fellowship as one of America's "finest living artists."

Among his many collected works are "The Lost Child," which won the 2015 PENN New England Award for Poetry, "Talking in the Dark," "The Ghosts of You and Me," and "Lovers of the Lost," all of which will be available for purchase and signing after the program, together with a new reprint of his classic chapter book, "Twelve Journeys in Maine," with illustrations by the artist, Marjorie Moore.

Light refreshments will be served. The 4th Thursday Poetry program is free and open to the public. For further information, call 364-3661.

The Rumford Public Library Friends, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose mission is to support and expand the work of the Rumford Library. Among its projects are those protecting and maintaining the Carnegie Library building that is on the National Register of Historic Places. The Friends have won a \$45,000 grant from the Stephen & Tabitha King Family Foundation for the restoration of the reference/reading room.

This season is Friends Membership time. Membership forms are at the main desk. Annual membership fees are just \$10.

Smith new VP branch manager at Norway Savings

Norway Savings Bank has announced that Scott Smith has recently joined the Bank as Vice President, Branch Manager of the Bethel office, according to a press release. Smith is a Bethel native who brings more than 25 years of mortgage retail banking experience to the Norway Savings Bank team. As branch manager, Smith's responsibilities include the overall success of the Bethel branch and providing leadership through employee motivation and development. Additionally, Smith is responsible for deposit growth and retail lending. Smith received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Abilene Christian University. Outside of banking hours, Smith is a board member on The

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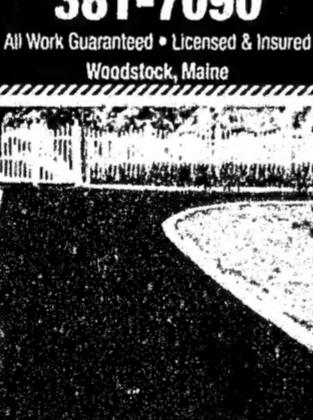
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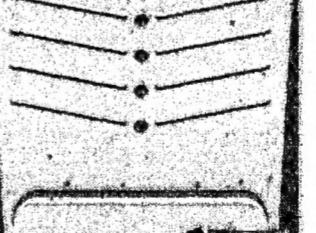
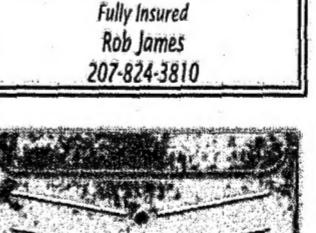
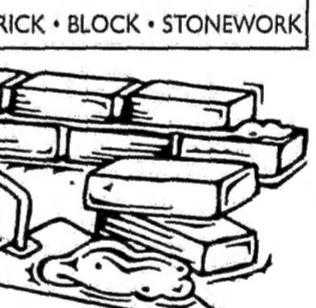
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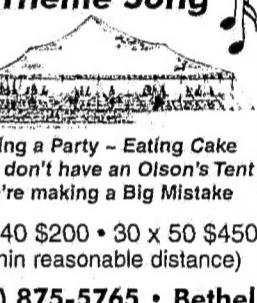
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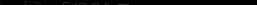
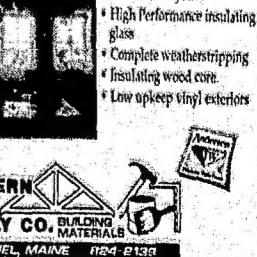
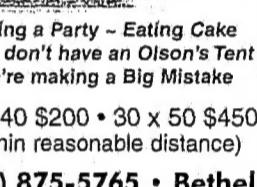
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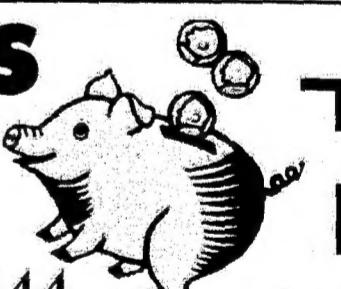
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Susan was the loving mother of Tamara Isham, also of Bethel. She was her granddaughter, Peyton's special 'Mimi' and the caring daughter of Donald and Mary Isham of Albany Township. Her siblings are brother, Mathew of Portland, Ore.; sisters, Edna McCarthy and her husband Michael of Mercer, Wis. and Marybeth Whitten and her husband Franklin of Middlebury, Vt. She is also survived by a niece, Stephanie Whitten of Bristol, Vt. and nephew, Corey Whitten of Irasburg, Vt.; two aunts, Ramona Dancy of Boulder, Colo. and Linda Isham of Bloomfield, Conn.; an uncle David Isham of Whitewater, Wis.; and a circle of cousins, friends and co-workers.

Susan was a graduate of Gould Academy and attended College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio. For some 20 years Susan was the

'chief of staff' at Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center in Newry where she warmly welcomed and cared for guests. She held many jobs in the hospitality industry including at Pat's Pizza, Bethel Chamber of Commerce, Mt. Abram Ski Area and Sunday River Ski Area. Most recently she was employed at Oxford Casino in Oxford. Susan had a zest for life, was outgoing and welcomed all with open arms and heart. She was both playful and a hard worker. Her generosity of spirit is known to many. Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Oct. 22 at 2 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church, 32 Church Street, Bethel. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in Susan's memory may be made to Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation, 8 Sundance Lane, Newry, Maine 04261. Arrangements are under the care of Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel.



REGAN N. KAUF

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Medical Center in Portland after a valiant battle with the complications of Leukemia.

Regan was born in Carbondale, Ill. on April 15, 1999, the daughter of Steven and Kristie (Dilley) Kauf and was in her junior year at Telstar High School where she was very active and passionate about theater and drama. She loved the stage and performing and had the time of her life in the spring musical.

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